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Kowloon ...Dep.	6.37	8.00	8.25	9.15	10.09	12.02	1.15	2.37	3.00	4.37	5.43	7.23
Yauwatt ...Dep.	6.45			9.24	10.18	12.09	1.21			4.44	5.50	7.30
Shatin ...Dep.	6.57			9.36	10.28	12.21	1.34			4.56	6.02	7.42
Taipei ...Dep.	7.11			9.49	10.42	12.34	1.47			5.09	6.15	7.55
TaipeiMarket ...Dep.	7.18			9.53	10.46	12.38	1.51			5.18	6.20	7.59
Fanning ...Dep.	7.27			10.03	10.58	12.48	2.01			5.28	6.31	8.09
Shanghai ...Dep.	7.32		9.08	10.08	11.00	12.53	2.08	3.14		5.28	6.36	8.12
Shamshui ...Arr.	7.38	8.40		10.14	11.06	12.59	2.12	3.18	3.40	5.34	6.41	8.19
		8.43		11.10					3.43			
Canton ...Arr.		1.50		5.38					6.47			

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Canton ...Dep.	—	—	—	—	8.05	—	—	8.40	—	9.20	—
Shumshun ...Arr.	7.14	8.01	10.18	10.49	11.09	11.40	8.00	4.17	4.41	5.52	6.24
Shuangshui ...Dep.	7.21	8.06	10.26	10.54	11.47	12.07	4.34	4.52	5.59	—	7.20
Fanling ...Dep.	7.36	8.12	10.29	—	11.51	12.18	4.28	4.58	6.03	—	—
TaipeiMarket ...Dep.	7.38	8.22	10.39	—	12.02	12.32	3.43	5.06	1.18	—	—
Taipei ...Dep.	7.40	8.27	10.43	11.06	12.07	12.26	4.42	5.10	6.16	—	—
Shatin ...Dep.	7.53	8.40	10.56	—	12.20	12.39	4.56	5.23	6.29	—	—
Yauwatt ...Dep.	8.07	8.52	11.08	—	12.32	12.51	5.06	5.35	6.41	—	—
Kowloon ...Arr.	8.13	8.58	11.14	11.31	11.49	12.38	5.57	5.14	6.41	6.47	7.04

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2.00 P.M. "SUI TAI"	3.00 P.M. "SUI AN"
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ON EPSOM DOWNS.

AMERICANS AT THE COURT.

THE HOME OFFICE BLACK LIST.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, June 6th.
This year's Derby was run in record time before a record crowd, and in weather that although overcast was fine. The victory of Call Boy was popular. The horse was heavily backed, and for once the bookmakers had to pay out handsomely.

There was an unusually touching scene after the race. The owner of Call Boy, Mr. Frank Curzon, collapsed on achieving what for him was a life-long ambition. As most readers know, he is the well-known theatrical proprietor who married Isabel Jay. For some time he has been in poor health, and he went out to lead his horse in with faltering steps supported on each side by friends. His face was deadly pale, and as he held out his hand for the white leading rein, Call Boy started back timidly. But the horse was coaxed into the enclosure, where Mr. Curzon patted him.

Then the winning owner, almost overcome with emotion, was helped into the weighing-in room and given a seat. Congratulations were showered upon him; and when he had rested he was assisted into the presence of the King, who was in the Royal Box with Queen Mary, the Prince of Wales, Prince Henry and the Princess Royal.

A description of the race was broadcast for the first time. It was preceded by a description of the scene on the Downs, and the result was announced to millions of listeners throughout the country as the horses passed the post. It is stated that the result was also sent all over the world in record time, by the Eastern Telegraph Company—among other places, to Egypt in 11 seconds, India 5, Straits Settlements 45, and China 51 seconds. [A full account of the race by Hotspur in the London Daily Telegraph appears elsewhere in this issue.]

Royalty at Covent Garden.

The opera season at Covent Garden is providing unusually brilliant and successful. This week the King and Queen accompanied by Princess Mary and Lord Lascelles, were present for the performance of Meyerbeer's "Les Huguenots." This was the first appearance of their Majesties at the opera this season, and the occasion was therefore notable.

The Queen was a splendid figure in blue and gold brocade. She wore a high-pointed crown of diamonds and diamond ornaments. Princess Mary wore a white dress glittering with diamonds and embroidery, a parure of sapphires and diamonds, and a diamond bandeau in her hair. A huge bouquet of pink roses for the Queen, and one of red roses for Princess Mary gave a note of colour to the Royal box. On their appearance in the theatre their Majesties were greeted by a packed and highly decorative house with the greatest enthusiasm; and indeed, in all its famous history Covent Garden can rarely have seen a more brilliant spectacle.

Americans At The Court.

I sometimes wonder how paragraphs find their way into the newspapers stating that numbers of American visitors to this country have been favoured with the Royal Command to attend the Courts at Buckingham Palace. At the opening of the present London season that was what the public were told. It may, therefore, be worth recording that the number of American debutantes each season is really very limited.

It is perfectly true that the Ambassador here has considerable difficulty in dealing with the enormous number of applications from Americans belonging to the most exclusive social and political circles in their own land. But he has only a small number of "commands" at his disposal, and it requires all his tact and judgment to select those who are to receive the honour.

(Continued on next column.)

BRIDGE LAW CHANGES.

HOW THE GAME WILL BE IMPROVED.

BRISKER BIDDING.

[BY A. E. MANNING FOSTER.]

Before the Portland Club issued its new code of laws in January 1924 I repeatedly pressed for the introduction of majority bidding. I pointed out that majority bidding improves the game, makes bidding brisker, puts all holders of long minor suits on better fighting terms, and, if adopted, would bring English Bridge more into line with Bridge as played abroad. The reform has now been accepted by the Portland Club as a result of a conference with other clubs. The law as it stands in the American code reads:

A bid of a greater number of odd tricks ranks higher than a bid of a lesser number. When two bids are of the same number they rank: No Trumps (highest), Spades, Hearts, Diamonds, Clubs (lowest).

The opportunities of bidding long, powerful minor suits over long major suits are of sufficiently frequent occurrence to make the change to the American system interesting.

Scoring Of Honours.

The second point is the decimal system of counting honours. Thus simple honours (3 in one hand or 2 in one hand and 1 in partner's) will score 30 points, four honours (divided) 40, four in one hand and five honours (divided) 90, and five in one hand 100.

The scoring of tricks is to be abolished. A change that is likely to be made in respect of a "no bid" out of turn. Under the present laws, in the case of a pass out of turn, the adversary on the left of the offender may demand a new deal. This is considered too harsh for what is after all a venial offence.

It is probable that the American law will be adopted which makes a pass out of turn void. The proposer may bid, double, or redouble until the first bid has been overbid or doubled.

The Revoke.

It should be observed that there is no intention of altering the revoke laws on American lines, although it is possible that the penalty for a revoke which the declarer can take from his adversaries may be reduced from three tricks to two. The new code will not become operative until probably the end of July.

One learns on excellent authority that at the first Court held this week out of 350 presentations that were made only eight were Americans, and there were only seven at the second Court the following day. Obviously, whatever happens in other directions, there is not much of an American invasion when it comes to presentations at Buckingham Palace.

The Home Office Black List.

The Home Office which has been working in conjunction with the Foreign Office in expelling the Soviet representatives has a full and complete list of all the Russians remaining in this country. Those who have not been expelled by remain on conditions. The official anticipation is that most of the Russians will leave here of their own free will. Individuals who are not on the Home Office Black List, and who by carrying on business with British firms are of use to us, will be left alone provided they obey the rules applicable to aliens. It may be stated quite definitely, however, that in the future Soviet citizens will have the greatest difficulty in obtaining permission to enter Britain.

Captain Lindbergh.

Captain Lindbergh, the American aviator who flew the Atlantic unaccompanied, left here after a hectic experience of a week, in the course of which he has been lionized and feted till his admirers almost killed him with kindness. He has been dubbed "the Flying Fool" in America, but he gives the impression of a level-headed young man, with no sign of his brain being turned by all the fuss that has been made of him; indeed he regards all the hero worship as amusing.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.
Sanitary Board meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; and Lee Gardens, 5.30 p.m.
Services Concert "Ocher O" Y.M.C.A., Chater Road, 6.30 p.m.
St. Peter's Y.M.C. moonlight bathing picnic, Repulse Bay. Launch leaves Queen's Pier, 8 p.m.
Dinner Dances at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant and Cafe Restaurant Parisien.
Queen's Theatre: "The Flag Lieutenant."
World Theatre: "Partner's Again."
Star Theatre: "Man and Maid."
Principal Mail:—Outward: Europe via Siberia (Ritana Maru), 10.30 a.m.; Canada and U.S.A., etc., Europe via Victoria, B.C. and via Siberia (President McKinley), 6 p.m.

Wednesday.
St. Peter's Day.
Holy Communion St. Peter's Church, West Point, 7.15 a.m.; Festival Evensong and Procession, 6.30 p.m.; Preacher, Rev. F. Freeman, M.A. (H.M.S. Tania).
6th Ordinary yearly meeting Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., Queen's Theatre, noon.
Extraordinary General Meeting Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., Queen's Theatre, 12.15 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Lantern Lecture on "Our Secret Enemies," by Dr. Osman at St. Peter's Young Men's Club, 8.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant and King Edward Hotel.
Queen's Theatre: "The Flag Lieutenant."
World Theatre: "Partner's Again."
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Principal Mail:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Sarpedon), 10.30 a.m.

Thursday.
Legislative Council Meeting, 2.30 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.; and Lee Gardens, 5.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Restaurant and Cafe Restaurant Parisien.
Police Branch of M.C.L. whist drive in aid of League Funds, Helena May Institute.
Police Recreation Club weekly open-air whist drive, Club lawn, Happy Valley, 8.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "In the Name of Love."
World Theatre: "Prisoners of the Storm."
Star Theatre: "East Lynne."
Principal Mail:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Tilawa).

Friday.
Dominion Day, Canada.
Mohammedan Year 1346 begins.
Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.; and King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.
Dinner Dances at Cafe Restaurant Parisien and Lane, Crawford's Restaurant.
Queen's Theatre: "In the Name of Love."
World Theatre: "Prisoners of the Storm."
Star Theatre: "East Lynne."
Principal Mail:—Outward: Australia and New Zealand, etc. (St. Albans), noon.

Saturday.
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning Lawn Bowls League:—Division I.: K.C.C. v. C.C.C.; C.S.C.C. v. Police R.C.; K.B.G.C. v. K.D.R.C. Division II.: C.C.C. v. Club de Recreio; East Point R.C. v. Tai Koo R.C.; C.S.C.C. v. Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club; K.B.G.C. v. K.C.C.

Lawn Tennis League:—"B" Division: C.C.C. v. H.K.C.C.; C.R.C. v. Nippon Club; K.O.C. v. University; R.E.A. v. U.S.R.C.; S.C.A.A. v. M.B.K. "C" Division: H.K.C.C. v. R.A.O.C.; C.R.C. v. C.C.C.; Netherlands, C.C. v. K.C.C.; Tai Koo R.C. v. S.C.A.A. H.K. Baseball League: Philippines v. Japanese, Happy Valley Diamond, 4 p.m.

St. Peter's Y.M.C. Launch Picnic: Launch leaves Queen's Pier, 3.30 p.m.
European Y.M.C.A. Bathing Picnic.
Friendly Football: Chinese Ath. Association v. Service Team, Soekumpoo, 5.30 p.m.
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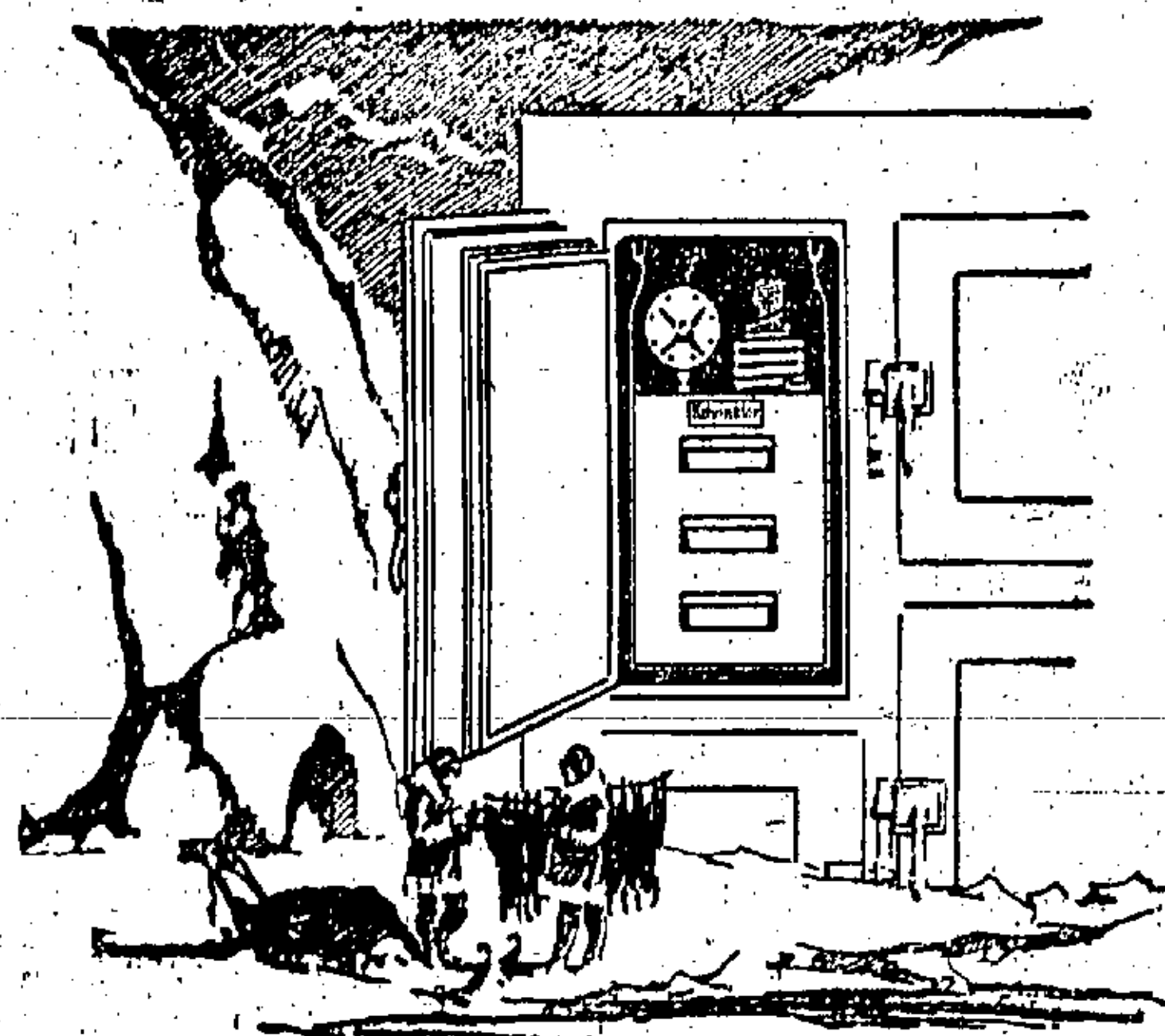
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MR. PAN FU'S CLAIM FOR THE NEW ARRANGEMENT.

STRIVING FOR POLITICAL AND MILITARY CO-ORDINATION.

NEW PROBLEMS FOR CHANG TSO LIN.

PEKING, June 28st.

It merely signifies that we now have some kind of a responsible Government in Peking," said Pan Fu last night soon after he had assumed office as Premier in Chang Tso Lin's Military Government. "That is the main point to emphasize. It is impossible as yet to tell you exactly what our programme will be. That is such a sudden development that I can speak of the future in a very general way only. To put it briefly, we are striving after both military and political co-ordination, for our greatest difficulty in the past has been lack of cohesion. If the warlords abide by their promises, we are on the high road to military unification, the first expression of which in Peking will be the absorption of the headquarters of the Ankuochun by the new Ministry of Military Affairs, under General Ho Feng Lin. You do not have to tell Shanghai who General Ho is nor recommend him. He is well known, and I believe it will be generally agreed that post at least will be in capable hands.

Policy Of Reorganization.

"Together with military unification we hope to pursue a policy of reorganization in communications and finance, with finance first. My programme includes the abolition of superfluous departments and the amalgamation of others. The Salt Administration, for instance, and the Wine and Tobacco Bureau, the Board of Audit and other organs that formerly had responsible chiefs, will now be brought under centralized control in the Ministry of Finance in a manner that will dispense with sinecures.

"I am assured that this will entail no change in the degree of foreign control in either the Salt or the Wine and Tobacco Bureau.

"While, in the main, our aim will be simplification in the major departments of Government, yet we are trying to bring our administration up to date by including within its province schemes for social improvement. It is useless to disguise the fact that we have to recognize the power of popular movements in the economic and political world. The old Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce will henceforth be known as the Ministry of Agriculture and Labour, while another department has been created called the Ministry of Industries. Our economic life is run down and it is my hope that, in time, we can instil into it fresh vigour, which is in line with the platform of the new party that we've formed—the *Hsin Kuo Chia Tang*, or New Nationalist Party."

Mr. Pan Fu and other members of the Government who were present wished me to make it clear that reorganization, even of the superficial aspect of the Government, showed that the new administration meant business. The Premier said that he realized that in the minds of foreigners the new development would be obscured by a big question mark, because the attention of foreigners had been called to several rebirths and re-unifications which had invariably petered out in jealousies and misunderstandings. This he acknowledged; but in Mr. Pan's view the very nature of the present change should be convincing proof that shadow play in Peking had come to an end.

Removal By Promotion.

Foreign attention is focussed upon the military upshot of the conference. The most striking achievement so far has been the defiance of Governor Yen Hsi Shan's very belligerent communication to Chang Tso Lin advising him to retire to Mukden. Fengtien's reply was to retire Chang Tso Lin into the position of a Chief Executive, a position that would seem to have put him forever out of the running for the re-assumption of his former office in Manchuria. That is a point that appears so far to have escaped political comment; but it has not been overlooked by aspirants to high office in the Mukden faction and much discussion is going on behind the scenes concerning Chang Tso Lin's possible successor in Manchuria. From the viewpoint of seniority one would think that the mantle of authority over the Three Eastern Provinces would fall on Wu Chun Sheng, the bluff old Tapan of Heilungkiang. Other possibilities are Yang Yu Ting and the "Young General," Chang Hsueh Liang. Yang Yu Ting enjoys a decided advantage in his friendship with the Japanese, but his advice was disregarded in the recent conference. It is said that Chang Tso Lin himself entertains the hope that he will retain the power to make his old position in Manchuria hereditary, in which case Chang Hsueh Liang would carry on the family tradition.

Chang Tsung Chang was undoubtedly the Warwick behind the scenes. He carried everything before him with his appeal to Chang Tso Lin to assume the role of Ta Yuan Shui, or Generalissimo and together with Sun Chuan Fang he led the assembled warlords in their reaffirmation of loyalty to Chang. The Ankuochun chief lent a willing ear, hoping that such window dressing would help him to arrange terms with the moderates of South China, the idea being that as political head of the re-organized Government he would enjoy more prestige in negotiations than he could possess merely as Commander-in-Chief of the army.

To Yen Hsi Shan the development is highly perplexing. Three weeks ago he felt that he had all the cards in his hand and he started to play with them. No one here thought he could withdraw from the game, but that is apparently what he has done, at least for the present, and the reason must be found in this last political development in Peking and also in the withdrawal of the main Fengtien force on the Peking-Hankow Railway to points north of the Taiyuanfu Railway.

Chiang Kai Shek may thus be compelled to rely upon Feng Yu Hsiang as an ally, though the latter is himself in a dilemma as to which horse to back and is hiding his embarrassment by trying to ingratiate himself with all parties. The late himself with all parties. The late himself with all parties. The late himself with all parties.

Generalissimo Chang Tso Lin is expected to move shortly into the Chu Jen Tang, which was until recently the office of the Tariff Commission, now removed to the Foreign Office building. The Huai Jen Tang, familiar to foreigners as the hall in which Presidential receptions have always been held, where the Generalissimo was inaugurated last Saturday afternoon, will be used as the office of the Ta Yuan Shui.

BRITISH WOMEN AND HANKOW.

CONSULS TERMS COVERING THEIR RETURN.

The following notification has been issued by H.M. Acting Consul-General at Hankow covering the return of evacuated British women:

Return Of British Women To Hankow.

The wives and children of British residents in Hankow are now permitted to return under the following conditions:

- 1.—Residence to be restricted to concessions and foreign special areas.
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- 3.—Compliance with all measures taken for the safety of the community.

Applications in writing expressing compliance with these conditions should be addressed to the Acting British Consul-General at Hankow by whom they will be forwarded to the Rear-Admiral or Senior Naval Officer who, if he sees no objection, will issue the necessary instructions to Shanghai.

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700 TROOPS RAID DRUG GANG.

500 ARRESTS AT CAIRO.

CAIRO.

The recent campaign by the Egyptian authorities against the drug traffic reached its climax, when no fewer than 700 soldiers, under 40 officers, were employed to round up a gang in a bad quarter of Cairo.

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The great growth of the drug habit has caused grave concern to the authorities in Egypt, where the consumption of hashish (prepared from hemp), cocaine, morphine, and other drugs is declared to have reached alarming proportions. Recently a large quantity of hashish was found in the house of a police official, and a quarantine employee was caught conveying cocaine from Alexandria to Cairo. Certain chemists in Cairo are said to have carried on the traffic openly and to have amassed fortunes.

British residents should furnish H.M. Consulate-General with their addresses in order to facilitate communication in case of emergency.

H.M. Consulate-General, Hankow, June, 15th, 1927.

SUN CHUAN FANG.

POSITION STRONGER THAN SUPPOSED.

IS PEKING HIS OBJECTIVE?

Last Wednesday's *North China Daily News* has two interesting references to Sun Chuan Fang. Both support the view that the former War Lord of Five Provinces, in spite of his recent defeats, which appear to have been due far more to treachery than to bad generalship, is by no means eliminated, that he has withdrawn his forces with considerable skill up the banks of the Grand Canal, and, more important still, a large number of Chinese as well as foreigners have great faith in his ability both civil and military and are anxious to see him once more in power.

Writing from Tsingtao a correspondent says:

A member of the staff of Chi-lu University at Tsinan who returned here last night reports that Marshal Sun Chuan Fang had arrived at Tsinan with about 25,000 troops. An interview this morning with some of Marshal Sun's officers who came here from Haichow and are to join him as soon as possible, confirms the report. These officers declare also that Marshal Sun's forces are to proceed directly to Peking. As this is hardly more incredible than much we have known to have occurred it is passed along as news to be received with reserve.

No further word has been heard from the Haichow district, but the emphatic denial of the officers mentioned makes it all the more certain that something serious has occurred. These officers report a situation so quiet and peaceful that their retreating therefrom and the commandeering of boats, the inability of vessels to land passengers or cargo, the disordered flight of soldiers northwards as reported by foreign observers, become altogether unexplainable.

Foreign Opinion Of Sun.

The withdrawal of Marshal Sun Chuan Fang from Kiangsu seems to be the one established fact. Whatever place history may give him in the annals of these tuchun wars, the foreigners who have lived under his regime in Kiangsu have pronounced him by far the best Tsuchun that has yet appeared. They are not extravagant in praise of him but declare that he has not been personally greedy of gain, that he was progressive, careful to protect all foreign interests, and stimulated Chinese trade, instead of killing it with burdensome taxes.

A Chinese Chamber of Commerce president recently said: "All business men in Kiangsu hope for Sun's complete success."

The Marshal has fallen from the high estate that was his a year ago, but he has neither fled to Japan nor put himself under the protection of a foreign concession. Whether he will fade now into insignificance or again play an important part in the affairs of China remains to be seen. Meanwhile his many friends wish him well.

Best Portions Of Shantung Under His Control.

In another article our contemporary states:

Marshal Sun Chuan Fang's position is becoming increasingly clearer as he approaches his own troops at Weishien in Shantung. Marshal Sun's retreat from Yangchow was apparently a strategic movement not dissimilar to other troop movements under his supervision. He sent his munitions and men up the Grand Canal during the night, before the Nationalist troops had any idea that he was leaving the place.

His troops now occupy the whole of the Grand Canal from the Shantung to the Chihli borders. He also occupies the Shantung Railway zone and the city of Tsingtao, which means that he has run two armies through Marshal Chang Tsung Chang's territory and controls the most lucrative portions of it.

His friends claim that he has been able to hold on to all his artillery and munitions and that he still has 80,000 troops who are directly under him. His chief adjutant is General Chow Ying Jen, who was his Tsuchun in Fukien when he controlled five provinces, but Marshal Sun actually controls his own troops and his supplies, which is a matter of some importance, as soldiers are usually available in China if one has rifles and munitions.

All troops have been paid up to date and the treasury is reported to be able to supply another month's salary, but now that Marshal Sun has upon him to take control of Tsingtao and the rich rice and coal lands of Shantung, his friends expect that he will have ample revenues to support his army.

At Chinkiang the 14th and 21st Divisions have arrived for the most part unarmed and report has it that this disarming was accomplished by hand in the Haichow region. The hand in the Haichow region. The hand in the Haichow region. The hand in the Haichow region.

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BAMBOO SHOOTS AS EXPORT.

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FOREIGN DELICACY.

"DRIED OR PICKLED."

That bamboo shoots are gaining in popularity as a table delicacy on foreign markets is indicated by the export figures recorded in the Customs returns during the past few years. America seems to be one of the largest consumers of Chinese bamboo shoots, of which 1,023 piculs, valued at Tls. 7,167, were exported in 1925. In the same year, 2,314 piculs, valued at Tls. 21,723, were exported to Hong Kong, 129 piculs, valued at Tls. 1,220, to Japan and Formosa, and 123 piculs, valued at Tls. 3,595, to Korea. But 1925 was not a good year for the export trade as a whole, with the May 30th incident at Shanghai causing a general slump on the market. In the previous years, the total bamboo export figures to foreign markets were 7,547 piculs, valued at Tls. 69,108 for 1924 and 5,505 piculs, valued at Tls. 41,044 for 1923.

Bamboo groves are found all over the country south of the Yangtze River, but Fukien province ranks first among the bamboo producing provinces. The districts in the upper reaches of the Min River formerly under the jurisdiction of the Kilencing prefecture and the coastal regions near Chuanchow are particularly noted bamboo producing centers. The bulk of bamboo shoots produced in Fukien province is exported through Foochow. In 1923, 66,619 piculs, valued at Tls. 544,187; in 1924, 107,116 piculs, valued at Tls. 1,117,090; and in 1925, 63,391 piculs, valued at Tls. 685,031 were exported. Chekiang ranks second as a bamboo producing province, the producing zone lying in the hilly districts, in the north-western part of the province, including Huchow and Hanchow. The bulk of Chekiang's bamboo shoots seek an outside market through Ningpo. Next in importance as bamboo shoot exporting ports are Canton and Changsha, of which the average yearly export figure always exceeds the 2,000 picul mark. The bulk of the shoots exported is of course consumed on the home market, destined chiefly to the populous centers in the Yangtze valley.

On the market, bamboo shoots are divided into two distinct classes: the winter crop and the spring crop, the former being by far the more highly prized on account of its tenderness. The winter crop is gathered in November, December, and January, when the shoot is a mere bud, beneath the surface of the earth. It is discovered by either examining the cracks on the surface of the earth or by feeling the ground with bare feet, the farmers being highly skillful in using their toes to locate the point of a shoot not quite above the ground. The spring crop gathered in April or May is much larger in quantity but fetches a much lower price. These spring shoots have already grown about a few inches above the ground and become more fibrous than the winter crop. The excessive development of fibre is due chiefly to exposure of the shoot to light. As long as the shoot remains beneath the surface of the earth, it remains succulent. For this reason, the farmers sometimes use a wooden bucket or pile up a small mound of earth to cover a shoot just growing above the ground.

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RECENT IMPROVEMENTS IN KWANGSI.

MOTOR ROADS OPENING IN
AUGUST.

MOTOR ROAD—Motor road construction was started in Kwangsi province in 1922, the first public highway built being the Kweilin-Chuanchow Road. This was followed by the roads built by private organisations in Wailian district while other roads running from Liuchow to Nanning, from Liuchow to Kingyuan and from Nanning to Lungchow have either been constructed or are under construction. Traffic on all these roads is expected to be formally opened in August this year. For service on roads in Liuchow district alone 150 motor cars have been ordered. Funds appropriated for highway construction in the province last year amounted to \$810,000 in round figures. In his Trade Report for 1926 Mr. H. B. Hawkins, Acting Commissioner of Customs at Nanning, Kwangsi, writes: "Road construction under trained direction was pushed forward energetically by the Kwangsi Department of Public Works in 1925. Nanning motor-cars are now driven miles across the hills into the country over roads solidly constructed according to modern technical requirements. The road improvements now in progress are designed, not only to develop the surrounding districts, but ultimately to connect distant parts of the province and to open up new outlets to river, sea, and frontier."

WIRELESS.—The wireless station at Wuchow was the first of its kind built in Kwangsi province, and is capable of communicating within a radius of 1,500 miles. Larger and more powerful stations to reach 2,500 miles are being installed at Kweilin, Nanning, and Lungchow.

TUNG TREES.—Kwangsi province produces the largest quantity of wood oil obtained from tung trees in South China. All wood oil exported from Hong Kong is Kwangsi product. In Liuchow district, 25,000,000 seedlings of this plant have been planted this year.

MINING.—Kwangsi is especially rich in tin and manganese deposits, many of which are being worked with success. The minerals are marketed at Hong Kong.

MINT.—Kwangsi used to import coins from Hunan province. But a mint has been installed recently. It started operations from January this year, and is turning out \$10,000 in 20-cent pieces daily.—Chinese Economic Bulletin.

Dried Or Pickled.

Almost all the bamboo shoots for export are either dried or pickled. The canning of fresh bamboo shoots for export has recently been started. Ningpo is a centre of the bamboo shoot canning industry. Shoots for export are first boiled in salt water and then dried in the sun. One way of drying bamboo shoots is to strip off the sheathing leaves, leaving only the brittle succulent parts. These are boiled with water, then suspended from rafters in a closed chamber, where they are dried over steady burning fires.

The market price for fresh shoots fluctuates to a considerable extent according to the season and the supply and demand. The prices of the dried or pickled shoots are, however, more or less constant. Commercially, dried or pickled bamboo shoots are classified into over 30 kinds, each having a particular name. There are eight leading dried bamboo shoot dealers in Shanghai, all having their premises in the Chinese City, and one Japanese firm, in the International Settlement.—Chinese Economic Bulletin.

BARRACK ROOM BALLADS.

The following verses have been forwarded to us from Hankow Barracks with a request that we should "correct" and publish them.

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There's places where you cannot go,
As the dogs all shout bow, wow.

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And the chiefs all blow their gills,
Its then the time they have their route,
When they get us up the hills.

Its then that time that we are fed,
On a route march we all go,
Our strength is formed from a hard boiled egg,
That's how we face our foe.

Our living is not good just now,
As the transport is so slack,
But we hope to have a change some day,
To return our young straight back.

We hope the time will come right soon,
As the people live in Rome,
We are here to pass away the time,
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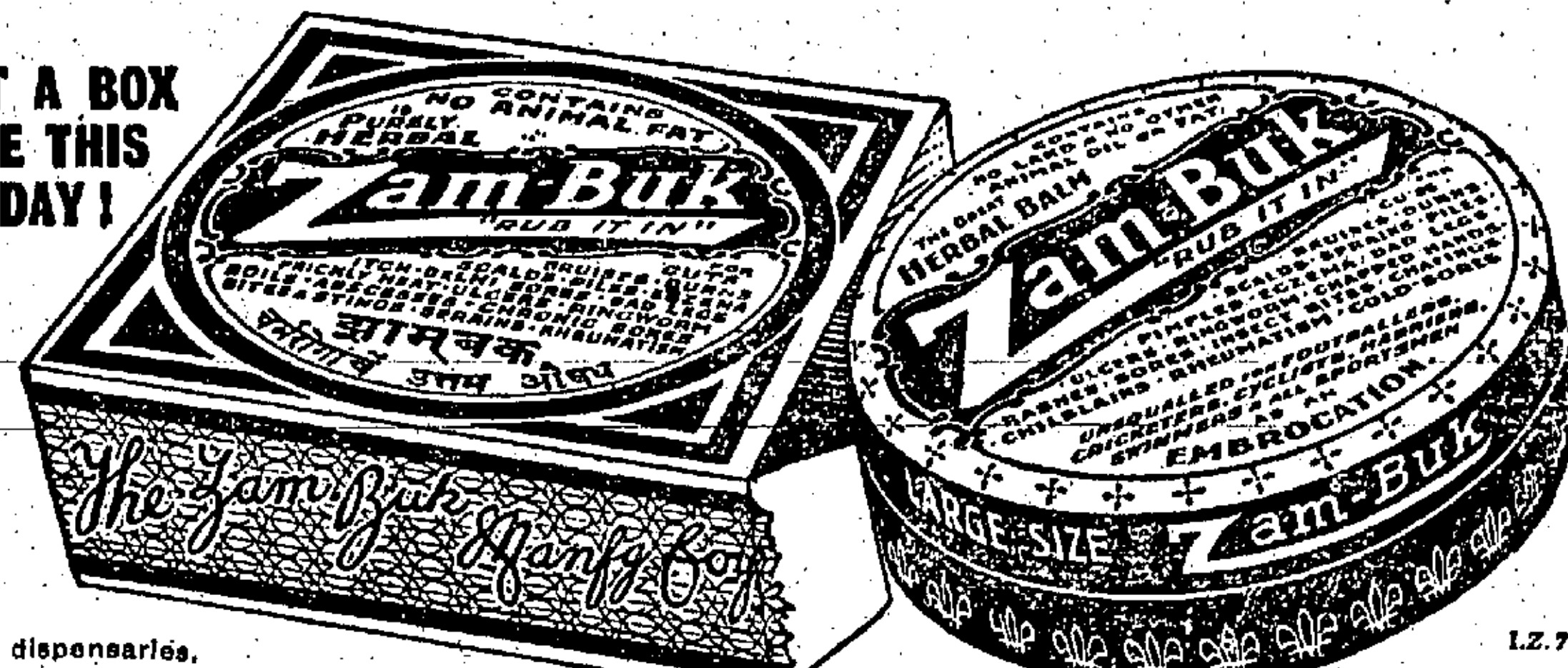
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INSPECTOR CORNISH'S
STATEMENT.

"ROBINSON SAID, 'I CUT
HER UP.'"

Hundreds of people tried to gain admission to Westminster Police Court when John Robinson, 38, a clerk, arrested on Monday and charged with the murder of Mrs. Minnie Alice Bonati, whose dismembered remains were found in a trunk in the cloak-room at Charing Cross Railway Station on May 10th, was brought before Mr. Gill, the magistrate.

There was a wild rush when the doors were opened, but only a small proportion of the crowd got into the vestibule, while an even smaller number actually reached the court room, which is not a large one.

The crowd in the street swelled to such an extent that extra police had to be put on duty to regulate it.

When his name was called Robinson stepped briskly into the dock. As he entered the court he nodded to several police officers and smiled.

A man of middle height, clean-shaven, with blue eyes and fair, almost sandy hair, he wore a dark grey overcoat and a grey suit. He laid his black hard felt hat on the seat behind him. His hair was brushed well back over his forehead.

Robinson, who was described as a clerk, of De Laune-street, Kensington, S.E., was charged with the murder of Minnie Alice Bonati on or about May 4th at Rochester-row, Westminster. The charge was not read over to him in the dock.

Detective's Evidence.

Chief Detective-Inspector Cornish went into the witness-box. He described a visit to the Westminster mortuary on May 10th, when he saw the remains of Mrs. Bonati and a number of articles of women's clothing. Since then he had been making inquiries into the matter. "Last Thursday, about 6.30 p.m.," he went on, "I saw the accused, John Robinson, at New Scotland Yard. I told him I was a police officer and took a statement from him and he afterwards left."

Mr. Gill: He left the station?

Yes. Did he sign the statement?—It was taken from him in writing, read to him, and he signed it. It will undoubtedly be produced at some later time. At 9.30 a.m. yesterday (Monday) I again saw Robinson at New Scotland Yard. Sergeant Clarke was in charge of him. I said to Robinson: "I will see you shortly in connection with the statement you made to me on the evening of the 10th." I then left him with Sergeant Clarke.

About ten o'clock Sergeant Clarke made a communication to me in consequence of which I went to Robinson in the waiting-room with Sergeant Sharpe and Sergeant Clarke.

Knife Found.

I said to Robinson: "I understand you want to see me." He said: "Yes; I realise this is serious. I met that woman at Victoria."

Mr. Gill (interposing): Was there any caution given to him?—Yes—"and took her up to my offices, and I want to tell you about it. I done it and cut her up." I said to him: "If you want to make a statement to me anything you say will be taken down in writing, then read over to you, and I shall ask you to sign it, and it may be given in evidence." He replied: "All right, I will tell you." He then made a statement which was written down. It was read over to him. He signed it, and I told him he would be detained. To that he made no reply.

In consequence of something he told us in the statement I went at 1.15 p.m. with Chief Constable Wensley, Sergeant Clarke, and Robinson to Clapham Common, where, under a white map tree, which Robinson had indicated, I saw Sergeant Clarke find a large knife.

At half-past five last night I charged Robinson at Rochester-row Police Station with the murder of Mrs. Bonati. When the charge was read over to him he made no reply.

The Magistrate's Clerk: Is that all?—Yes.

The Magistrate (to Robinson): If you like to reserve your questions—

Robinson (rising to his feet): I have nothing to ask.

Inspector Cornish asked for a formal remand for a week.

Mr. Gill: Will you be able to proceed with it then?—I hope so. The matter will be taken up by the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Mr. Gill: The case will be remanded for eight days.

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MODEL ILLUSTRATIONS AND
DESCRIPTIONS.

A delightful booklet is "Common Hong Kong Ferns" by L. Gibbs (Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.). The illustrations are models of clearness and so is the little description attached to each. But Mr. Gibbs' modest work is more than just a text book for the botanist. He gets, after the manner of Gilbert White, something of his own love of the countryside into his writing so that all who read may enjoy, even if one could not formerly distinguish, far less name, Hong Kong's varied and beautiful fern life. And as one reads the attention is caught, and held because everything is explained simply and with all the necessary facts that are of general interest.

We cannot do better than quote at some length from the admirable introduction.

A Great Place For Ferns.

Hong Kong is a great place for ferns. In Dunn and Titcher's "Flora of Kwangtung and Hong Kong" 155 different kinds are noted as growing in Hong Kong and the New Territory, an area of only 390 square miles; 124 of these are recorded as found in the little island of Hong Kong alone—32 square miles. On the banks and walls of Robinson Road between Glenelg and Castle Road there may be counted 15 different kinds of native ferns. In the whole of the British Isles with an area of 121,000 square miles, only 37 different kinds are to be found.

Ferns lend themselves to description by means of drawings, even if poor ones, much more readily than do flowers, and more readily than to a written description; colour does not come in the shapes of the fronds are very varied and the many technical terms which a botanist finds necessary in describing them are not easily learned nor easily remembered. In most of the common Hong Kong ferns a drawing of a single frond is sufficient for identification and a single frond is generally more or less flat and consequently much more easily drawn than a flowering plant with its diverging branches, leaves and flowers.

Variations Of Similar Species.

There are, however, several "snags" for which a lookout must be kept. Some ferns are very variable in form and even the same plant will show variations which might well be taken for fronds of a different species. *Pteris ensiformis* is a good example. Young plants also have often very differently formed fronds from the old ones. Ferns which grow in sheltered situations on good soil are much larger than those on poor soil. In exposed situations, and this is especially true of plants growing in the division of parts; pinnae ferns are more pinnate. Then there is the necessity of keeping illustrations to a reasonable size. Fronds of *Dicksonia Barometz* may be found 6 or 8 feet long and 2 or 3 feet broad, while *Blechnum orientale* often grows to a length of 5 or 6 feet, and even a medium-sized frond of large ferns like these is selected if it is necessary to reduce it in drawing to half or quarter the natural size. This puts a considerable strain on the reader's imagination in mentally magnifying the drawing back again to the natural size of the fern.

Classification.

Then again the classification of ferns is usually based more on the arrangement of spore case than on the form of the fronds. If the latter were the basis then *Osmunda javanica*, *Blechnum orientale* and *Brainea insignis* might belong to the same genus, while *Lindsaea filicultrata* and *L. ensifolia* would not. The spores themselves are microscopic, the spore cases so minute that a magnifying glass is required to distinguish them and it is only when collected together in "sori" that they can be shown on a natural size drawing. In many ferns fertile fronds are rare, e.g., in *Menisium simplex* and in *Brainea insignis*.

There are, moreover, often important points which cannot easily be shown on a drawing, so that perhaps the most satisfactory means of describing them is by making use of both drawing and written description.

The arrangement and naming adopted is that of Dunn and Titcher's "Flora of Kwangtung and Hong Kong." There is, unfortunately, no finality about the names of ferns, and changes are constantly being made. Species are shuffled about from one genus to another. The well known English "Male Fern" has been known as *Aspidium*, *Lastrea*, *Dryopteris* or *Nephrodium*, *Pityrogramma*. There is no help for this;

(Continued on next Column.)

MOTOR ACCIDENT IN SHANGHAI.

OFFICER'S MIRACULOUS
ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

HEAD-ON COLLISION.

SHANGHAI, June 22nd.

Mr. C. J. Merritt, of Messrs. Doughty & Co. and Flight Officer McBain of the Royal Flying Corps had a miraculous escape from death late last night when two motor cars crashed almost head-on in Yu Yuen Road. As it is Mr. Merritt will be permanently scarred for life.

Interviewed at his home after midnight, Mr. Merritt said that Flight Officer McBain had dined at his residence at 81, Nee Yuen Road, last evening and soon after ten o'clock, Mr. Merritt got his car out with the intention of taking his guest to his quarters at the Race Course. On turning into Yu Yuen Road from Nee Yuen Road, said Mr. Merritt, a large touring car with bright headlights came along at a terrific pace and crashed into the small car giving him no chance at all.

Mr. Merritt's car is a complete wreck. One wheel was knocked off, the fenders and hood were smashed against the dash board, the engine was knocked off its base, the windscreen was smashed, the steering wheel was strewn in small pieces all over the road and the whole front of a car is a complete wreck.

Mr. Merritt was knocked into a semi-conscious state and his guest was cut badly about the face. A passing car conveyed them to the Country Hospital where they were dressed. Mr. Merritt's injuries consist of a deep cut down the whole right side of his face, his lower row of teeth were knocked out, his hands cut and bruises all over his head and body. Flight Officer McBain had two teeth knocked out and a deep cut on his chin.

The car which Mr. Merritt says crashed into him is a large hire car owned by a Chinese garage, and the license number is 6475 and contained several Chinese.

The scene of the accident is just a few yards west of the intersection of Nee Yuen Road and Yu Yuen Road.

On being asked why he did not remain in hospital when so seriously injured, Mr. Merritt replied: "I've had worse smashes than this—I was a flying officer."

"THE FLAG LIEUTENANT."

SHOWING ANOTHER TWO
DAYS.

"The Flag Lieutenant," the British naval film of exceptional merit which opened at the Queen's Theatre on Saturday, is to be screened at this theatre for another two days (to-day and to-morrow).

The final showing was to have been last evening, but in view of a general demand on the part of patrons for its continuance, the period of showing has been extended. There have been "capacity" houses at all performances, and every seat in the theatre was sold beforehand for the 9.30 performance last evening.

4,000 species of ferns cannot be studied without adopting provisional names and classification and it is useless to study them unless you amend this classification as shown necessary by your study. A considerable change in classification seems to have been made since the date (1912) of the publication of the "Flora of Kwangtung and Hong Kong."

What Is A Fern?

It may be asked "What is a fern?" What is there to distinguish one from the thousands of other forms of the vegetable kingdom? Without going too deeply into botanical definitions it may be said that a fern has no flowers. Its reproduction is brought about by spores which do not contain the embryo common to the seed of flowering plants, but which are "capable of developing a small green leafy expansion (prothallus) bearing the essential organs of reproduction." These spores are usually found on the under surface, sometimes on the margin of the leaf, which is generally called a frond to distinguish it from other leaves which do not bear spores. The fronds of ferns have usually the characteristic that, when young, they are curled in upon themselves in the form of a volute. This distinguishes them from their nearest relations the Horsetails, Club mosses, Solanaginellas, Mosses and Liverworts and from the lowest forms of the vegetable kingdom—the Sea-weeds and Fungi.

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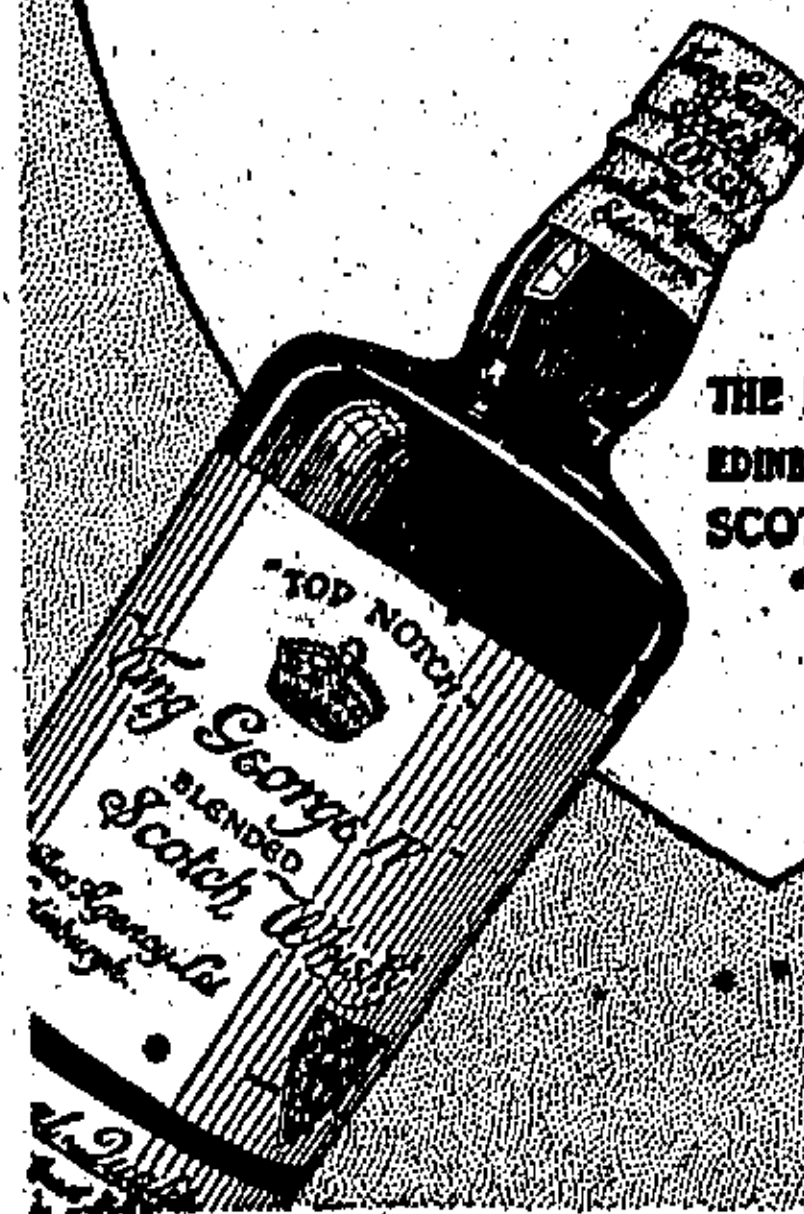
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DISAPPEARANCE OF LARGE SUM IN BANK NOTES.

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

The Canton police are employing many more men now to patrol the West Bund, the landing place of most of the Hong Kong-Canton boats. Pickets are still trying to prevent Chinese from going on to the Hong Kong-Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's vessels but so far they have used no violence and, as a consequence, the Police have not considered it necessary to interfere.

For the past few days not only in Canton, but also in Swatow, incoming passengers from Shanghai and Hong Kong have been very closely watched. This is due to the rumours, which still persist, that the Hankow "Reds" are taking action to seize again the control in Kwangtung.

Canton agitators have been informed by their friends in Swatow that after July 1st no more Japanese goods or goods arriving in Japanese ships will be unloaded in Swatow.

It is said that some of the members of the Kuomintang Ministry of Finance in Canton were able to get away with a sum of \$1,185,000 in Central Bank of China notes. Not much actual loss is feared because the Ministry of Finance has announced that bank notes of a certain issue number are null and void and will not be redeemed. This is all very well for the Ministry but it may mean considerable inconvenience for the general public as, after a certain period, no one remembers which note numbers are good and which are bad. In any country with a stable government and well-conducted public offices the gigantic loss in bank notes would create a sensation and the facts would be featured in all the newspapers. Not so in Canton. Bank notes cost little to print and as they can easily be declared void, very little importance is attached to the matter.

The Information Bureau of the Kuomintang Ministry of Foreign Affairs, founded several months ago to issue statements in English to the foreign press on affairs in Canton, is to be abolished early next month. Future activities of this character will be undertaken by the Foreign Office in Nanking.

The Society for the Promotion of an Anti-Japanese Boycott is having another meeting this afternoon. Several organizations in Canton have announced their intention of following the examples of the students in having nothing to do with Japanese goods and shipping from July 1st. Contributions towards the boycott fund include \$750 from the local Kuomintang. Several Japanese gunboats are on their way from Tientsin to Canton.

Yesterday afternoon the *Kinshan* brought from Canton 10 Europeans and 8 Chinese. The *Lungshan* arrived in the evening with about 20 Chinese and 7 Europeans. The passengers from Hong Kong are still being set on by the pickets and having their clothes marked with terms of abuse. Cargo is being carried as usual but the position as regards passenger traffic is unchanged.

FLYING BOATS FOR SINGAPORE.**FOUR GIANT R.A.F. CRAFT. PROPOSED DEMONSTRATIONS.**

Four giant R.A.F. flying boats are shortly to start on a 25,000 miles flight. Built entirely of metal, mostly stainless steel, the boats are so large that the crews can sling hammocks and sleep in the hulls. These super-marine Napier craft are to be stationed at the new air base at Singapore, and will be flown out there by way of France, down the Mediterranean, across the Suez Canal, round India, giving demonstrations at various points, Singapore and the Dutch East Indies, round Australia, then back to Singapore. Each boat will be driven by two Napier engines, totalling 1,600-horse-power, and will be able to fly on one engine alone.

Commander L. A. W. Spooner, who last served afloat in command of the *Petersfield*, tender to the flag-ship *Hawkins*, in China, was to join the department of the Director of Naval Ordnance on June 1st for duty. Commander Spooner served during the first year of the war in command of the gunboat *Protektor*, gunnery training ship in the Australian Navy. From May, 1915, he was gunnery officer of the monitor *Abercrombie*, and from June, 1917, of the cruiser *Caledon*, flagship of Rear-Admiral Walter Cowan in the Grand Fleet.

AN EARLY MORNING CHASE.**SUSPICIOUS CONDUCT AND A SHARP FIRE.**

The alertness of a Chinese detective to the appearance in Court at the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Major C. Willson, of a Chinese charged with others, not in custody, with assembling together without lawful excuse.

According to the evidence, the Chinese detective was on patrol duty in Aberdeen Street on June 22nd, and noticed a man climbing up a scaffolding, while he also saw two other men at the foot of the scaffolding. Guessing that something contrary to the law was planned, as it was in the early hours of the morning, the detective kept watch, but was apparently noticed by the three men, for the climber descended, and then the three men separated, each running away in a different direction to the others.

The detective chased the accused, who made for Gough Street, where he stumbled and fell, cutting his head, which necessitated his removal to the Government Civil Hospital. He was discharged yesterday and on his appearance in Court he was fined \$50, or one month's hard labour in default.

ELECTROCUTED BY A FAN.**INQUEST HELD YESTERDAY.**

Yesterday at the Central Magistracy, Major C. Willson, assisted by a jury, held an enquiry into the death of a Chinese youth, aged 18.

It transpired from the evidence that the deceased who resided at 242, Des Voeux Road Central, met his death by electrocution on June 16th at about 1 p.m. He went into the kitchen to take a bath bringing an electric fan with him. He placed the fan near the water tap and while in his bath, his left hand came into contact with the fan.

The fan when examined by Chief Inspector Clarke, an electrician of the P.W.D., was found to have defective insulation. It was a 110 volts fan but had been re-wound to 200 volts.

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

CASTLE PEAK TRAGEDY.**THE MUI TSAI'S TERRIBLE STORY.****MORBID WOMEN LEAVE THE COURT.**

When the Castle Peak murder case was resumed yesterday afternoon at the Central Magistracy before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the Court room was packed largely with smartly dressed Chinese ladies, and as the little *mui tsai* unfolded her story, attention centred on the man in the dock. Some of the ladies made a hasty exit when a basketful of exhibits was put in by the prosecution. The exhibits were the trousers, jackets and girdle taken off the deceased. And, as the Inspector lifted them up piece by piece for identification, the atmosphere in the Court room was made almost untenable. Handkerchiefs were brought at once into contact with the nose, and as the day was a sultry one many of the audience went out into the compound for a change of air.

The 12-year old *mui tsai* continued her story of the previous hearing. She said that after the disappearance of her mistress, she was taken to Cheung Sha Wan. She returned to Castle Peak on one occasion when the defendant, her master, took her there to help him gather some peaches. She had been shown a pair of trousers which had been dug out of a pond and recognised them as the pair deceased had worn on the day she disappeared. She also recognised the other clothing produced in Court.

After she had discovered the dead body of her mistress in a basket, she was afraid to tell anyone, but some days later, she told her story to a girl friend.

Cross-examined by Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask, who is appearing for the defence, she said that on that eventful morning when she was sent out to collect fir cones, the defendant did not go with her. She went with the eldest child of the deceased. But about an hour later, the defendant and his youngest child joined her. When they were driven back to the house by a rain storm, she found the house was locked. They sheltered on the porch, and the defendant made no attempt to open the door. She was sent out to buy some cakes, and when she returned, she found the house open, and the defendant was in the cook-house.

Child's Bitter's Crying.

When asked what made her search for her mistress, the little girl said that she had overheard her mistress telling the neighbours that her husband wanted to kill her. She also had her suspicions on that day. When she was out gathering fir cones on the hill-side, she heard the youngest child of the family crying in the house. The child, she said, was in the habit of crying, but not so bitterly as she heard him on the hill-side on that particular morning.

The reason why she had confided what she had discovered to her girl friend was that the girl was "discreet" itself. "She would not broadcast what I had told her, and I was not afraid that others might come to know," said the maid.

Asked by the Magistrate why the deceased should have worn so many pairs of trousers, the *mui tsai* said that her mistress was in the habit of wearing five pairs of trousers in the winter, and on the day she was murdered she had three pairs on.

Man Who Searched—For The Reward.

Evidence was also given by a Chinese who found the body. He said he was out of employment and was lured on by the reward offered by the Police for the discovery of the body. After digging the hill-side just at the back of defendant's house, he was attracted to a spot by a sunken patch which appeared to have been recently made. He borrowed a spade and after digging a bit, he found the head. That was enough for him and he rushed off to the Police with the information.

After evidence of arrest and identification of the body had been given, the case was remanded until to-morrow afternoon.

KOWLOON MURDER TRIAL.**SECOND DEFENDANT AT CRIMINAL SESSIONS.****POLICE AND TREATMENT OF PRISONER.**

At the Criminal Sessions at the Supreme Court yesterday, before the acting Chief Justice (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) and a jury, the trial opened of Leung Cang who is accused of the murder of a Chinese woman at Chuk On village, Kowloon City, on April 6th. Another man who was charged in connection with this murder appeared at the Sessions last week, and was discharged.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy was for the Crown, and Mr. H. S. Lo for the prisoner.

Outlining the case, Mr. Fitzroy said the murdered woman was the concubine of a dairy owner who had his premises at Chuk On village. His concubine lived in a hut near the dairy premises. The man also had a *kit-fat* wife living at Tsai Po and on April 6th the man visited her.

He was awakened after retiring for the night, and, returning to the dairy, found his concubine lying injured on her bed. The woman was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital and died later. The prisoner was taken into custody by the police.

Sub-Inspector Dorling, in evidence, said that he received certain information early in the morning of April 7th and in consequence visited 553, Shanghai Street, and arrested the prisoner. When examined he found the man to have nine scratches on his shin.

During the afternoon hearing various witnesses were tendered by the Crown and were cross-examined at length by Mr. Lo.

Striking Prisoner Denied.

Replying to one question a Chinese constable denied that he struck the prisoner at Kowloon City Police Station, and also denied that he, together with two others, tried to force prisoner to say certain things. He did not see anyone else strike prisoner.

The case was concluded for the Crown, and Mr. Lo then addressed the Court for the defence, the case ultimately being adjourned for further hearing to-day, when it will conclude.

WHITFIELD BARRACKS MURDER MYSTERY.**WHO SHOT INDIAN OFFICER?****NO MOTIVE FOR CRIME.**

The murder of Jeinadar Gurmukh Singh, of the Indian Army Supply Transport, at Whitfield Barracks, early on Saturday morning, remains a complete mystery.

Further investigations showed that the Officer must have been shot from a distance of about four feet by a 45 calibre Webley. It was also learned that the murdered Jeinadar was on friendly terms with the men under his command, and no possible motive could be suggested for the crime.

The mystery is deepened by the fact that the shot was not heard by anyone. There were others sleeping on the verandah and only a few feet away from the scene of the tragedy. A sentry was also on duty in the near vicinity.

A stable guard said that he believed he had heard a shot fired, but there is considerable doubt as to whether he really did so.

No arrests have been made, and as far as could be ascertained nothing was stolen from the Officer's property, so robbery was not the motive.

PHILIPPINES EARTHQUAKES**TWO SHOCKS AT BAGUIO.**

Two slight earthquakes were felt at Baguio, one at 6.40 p.m. on June 17th, and the other at 9.05 a.m. on June 18th. The shocks were considerably slighter than the one last month.

An earthquake was registered by the Manila observatory at 8.37 a.m. on Saturday, believed to be the same one reported from Baguio. The shock was felt over most of the northern provinces and its centre is believed to have been about 500 kilometres from Manila.

SOLDIER'S EXTRAORDINARY CONDUCT.**ENTERS HOUSE AND SEARCHES CHINESE.****SUSPECTED THEM OF HAVING A REVOLVER.**

As a sequel to entering No. 139, Canton Road, on Saturday, searching the inmates and refusing to leave the premises until the arrival of the Police, Private Phillip Henry Moore, aged 21, of the 2nd Battalion, the Welch Regiment, was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with disorderly conduct, searching a Chinese tally clerk, and alternatively with assaulting the complainant.

The defendant said that he searched the defendant so as to make sure that he was safe to enter the house.

Divisional Inspector Aris pointed out to his Worship that the defendant had no right whatever to enter the house nor had he any authority to search the occupants.

The Inspector said that at 10.30 p.m. on Saturday the complainant and a *foki* were returning to their residence in rickshas. They were asked by the defendant where they were going, and they replied that they were going home.

The defendant followed them into the house where there were three others. He searched the complainant and his friends, and when queried he replied that he suspected them of having a revolver.

In answer to the Magistrate, Moore said that he had followed a man of whom he had been suspicious of carrying a revolver. This man preceded the complainant into No. 139, Canton Road, and on entering, the defendant searched the complainant as a precaution.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$20, or fourteen days' imprisonment in default.

RETURN OF WILBUR PLAYERS.**"ALIAS THE DEACON."****AT THE STAR THEATRE ON SUNDAY.**

"Alias the Deacon," the play that ran for 250 nights at the Hudson Theatre, New York, and which has enjoyed long runs in all the principal cities of the United States, will be the opening bill of the Wilbur Players at the Star Theatre on Sunday next July 3rd for two nights only.

We are told that the play grips the interest from the outset. It has an unusual prologue that takes place in a box car travelling across country, and the locale of the play then moves to a small American city which is in the throes of the blue law element. The "Deacon" lands there seeking to sanctify the town and fleece the populace at the same time at the poker table.

Mr. N. Anthony Baker will be seen in the title role and it is one of his best characterizations. Florence Priming will be seen as the "hobo girl" and Miss Florence Underhill as Mrs. Clarke the proprietress of the local hotel, Miss Tove Leland will take the part of Willie her son.

"Alias the Deacon" is now playing its fortieth week in the Playhouse Hollywood. It has been filmed and will soon be presented to movie fans of Hong Kong.

Booking is now open at the theatre and at Moutrie's. Other plays given by the Company will be "Spooks," "The Rosary," "The Whole Town's Talking," "Her Unborn Child" and "Rain."

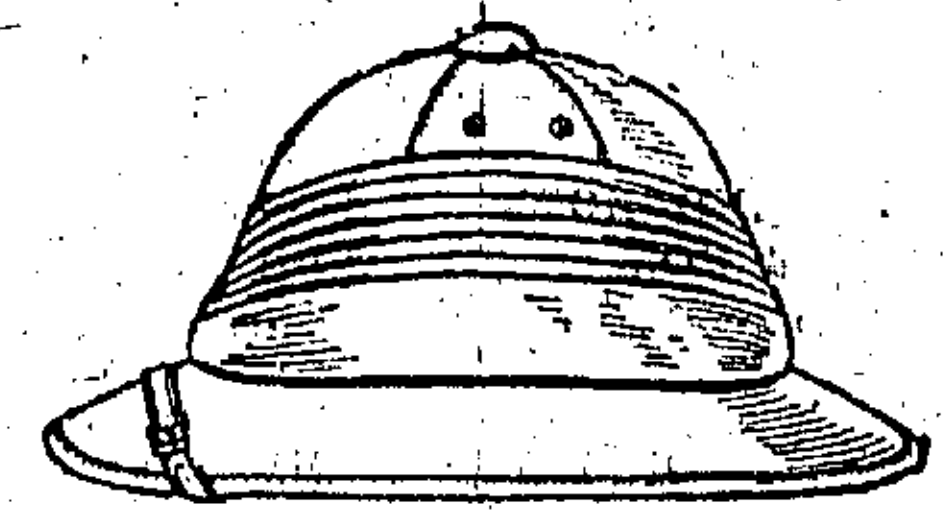
RIVER LEVELS.**KWANGTUNG CONSERVANCY BULLETIN.**

West River at Shuihung: June 25th, 15ft. 6ins.; June 30th, rising; highest level on record 41 feet; lowest on record 0in.

North River at Tsingyuen: June 25th, 9ft. 6ins.; June 26th, rising; highest level on record 28ft. 7ins.; lowest 0in.

North River at Samshui: June 25th, 9ft. 3ins.; June 26th, rising; highest level on record 27ft. 3ins.; lowest 5ft.

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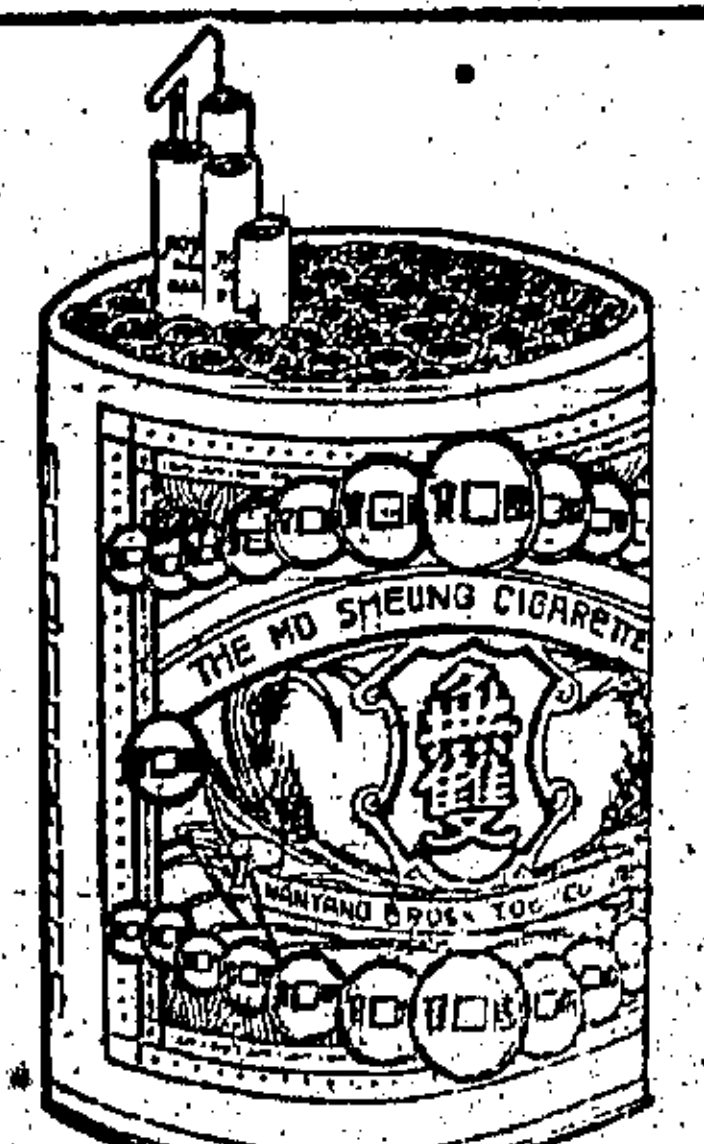
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"That the HONG KONG AND KOWLOON TAXICAB COMPANY, LIMITED, be wound up voluntarily and that Mr. H. R. CLELAND, C.A., of Messrs. LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS, be, and is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such Winding Up."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that should the foregoing Resolution be passed by the requisite Majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution at a Further EXTRAORDINARY MEETING, and such Meeting will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 29th day of JULY, 1927, at the Same Time and Place for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, confirming such Resolution as a Special Resolution accordingly.

By Order of the Board,
SUN PAK MING,
Chairman.
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H. G. RILEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Treasury Chest Officer, R.A.P.C.
His Majesty's Treasury Office,
Hong Kong, 27th June, 1927. [5079]

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BIRTH.

CARPENTER.—On May 27th, 1927, at a Nursing Home, Harpenden, Herts, to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. CARPENTER, a son. [5078]

DEATH.

CAMPBELL.—On May 27th, in London, CHARLES WILLIAM CAMPBELL, C.M.B., late H.B.M., Consular Service, China, in his 67th year.

Hong Kong Office: 1A, Chater Ed.
London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

The Daily Press

Hong Kong, June 28th, 1927.

THE EXPLORATION OF THE SEA.

A BRIEF announcement that the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea is meeting at Stockholm conveys to the general public no hint of years of work and study that border on the romantic. To those who know, the meeting of the Council means the completion of a quarter of a century of

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scientific research of value to mankind. In 1902 the Council was formed at Stockholm, and the business of exploring the sea was undertaken, being promoted and subsidised by all the Governments of Northern Europe. Up till that time very little was known. Of the North Sea nothing was known at all, and as regards the natural history (so to speak) of the sea much was taken for granted, so that the poet was able to give reins to his imagination:

For the grand old sea, hides wonders,
That never met mortal eye,
Bright lowers that never have rusted.

To soft winds dreamy sigh;
Dark caves of wondrous beauty,
And flowers of the rainbow hue—

Bloom in those old sea gardens,
All under the waters blue.

Since 1902 a good deal has been learnt, and research is going on steadily. In a recent article Professor D'Arcy Thompson, of Aberdeen University, mentioned that previously all that was known of the North Sea, for instance, was contained in charts showing the depths and shallows, and some imperfect information about the tides. The British Admiralty had a kind of hydrography of its own which suited naval purposes; but with the advent of the submarine new problems were presented. It became necessary for a navigator to know the salinity and density of the sea when one day a submarine which chanced to enter the Skagerrack dropped down three or four fathoms all of a sudden, then stopped and seemed to float at a new level. Thereafter the density of the sea, the stratification of its layers, as it is called, and the movements to which these are subject became matters of paramount and urgent importance.

The research workers have by their labours done something to throw light on these and kindred problems that come under the

general description of the exploration of the sea. And always behind the work of the investigators is the economic problem, which is likely to become more important as the years go by, and bigger demands are made by the nations on the harvest of the sea. Perhaps eventually some agreement will have to be made by mutual consent to control fishing. Some consider that the time for such a step has already arrived; otherwise, they say, the famine which has so often been predicted in the fisheries will undoubtedly arrive. For example, the once teeming halibut banks of British Columbia are now depleted. There is small wonder that this should be so, because fish caught, marked, and liberated, were soon caught again, to the extent of 60 per cent. in the ordinary course of the fishery. Year after year about 2,500,000 tons of fish are taken out of the seas of Northern Europe, and the quantity tends to increase. The money value of the catch has also increased from £25,000,000 twenty years ago to about £50,000,000 to-day.

It is part of the work of the Council to keep track of these developments, and to publish them officially at regular intervals. The value of the information is appreciated. France, which did not come into the scheme till after the war, is now actively interested. Portugal and Spain have joined the Council, and in so doing have materially enlarged the scope of its operations. There is a friendly understanding with Italy, a country which will serve as the focus of a series of new investigations now in contemplation, to include the whole of the Mediterranean. Of course, much still remains to be done. What secrets will the Indian Ocean and the China Seas yield to the trained research workers when they turn their attention to these waters? That, however, belongs to the future. Meanwhile it is satisfactory that the leading nations of the world are co-operating in this great endeavour, despite the immense cost of research, and are willing to further the patient labours of the Council for the Exploration of the Sea.

Two cases of enteric, one Chinese and one Dutch, and one Indian case of diphtheria were reported yesterday.

There will be a meeting of the Sanitary Board this afternoon, at 4.15, but the agenda does not contain any matter of public interest.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending June 11th amounted to 62,527 tons, and the sales during the period to 81,328 tons.

The Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Co., Ltd., announce that telegraphic communication with Shanghai, and beyond, has been re-established.

Miss June Ecker, a Hong Kong-born young lady, daughter of Mr. H. W. Looker, M.P., was presented to the King and Queen at the first Court of the season on May 24th by Mrs. Looker.

The late Mr. John Nicholas Sengerd, of "Sheng Ku," Windermore-avenue, Church End, Finchley, N., and formerly of Shanghai, China, late Commissioner Chinese Customs Service, left £4,534.

The Chinese who was charged with intimidating another Chinese was brought up on remand before Major C. Willson, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. The case was again adjourned.

Among many passengers arriving in Hong Kong from the North on the R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* yesterday were the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotowall, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, Mr. R. Roxburgh, of the C.P.R., Hong Kong, and Mrs. Roxburgh, Mr. P. R. Murray and Mr. O. B. Morrison.

Jewellery worth \$1,800 has been stolen from a room at No. 4, Hill Road, according to a report made to the Police by a Chinese woman living there.

A Chinese shop keeper of No. 531, Canton Road, second floor, Kowloon, has reported to the Police that his maid servant absconded on Sunday with jewellery worth \$600.

Several letters have been addressed to the Chinese press by parents of Chinese students, complaining against the proposed increase in the fees at the Government Schools.

Through the bursting of a gas tube at 159, Queen's Road East on Sunday, a Chinese, fifteen years of age, has been taken to the Government Civil Hospital with face injuries.

After he had cut his foot by stepping on a piece of glass, a Chinese living at No. 9, Fook Luk Lane, was taken ill with lock-jaw and died at the Government Civil Hospital on Sunday.

A private meeting to consider methods of enlisting recruits for the Special Police Reserve was held at the Police Offices yesterday. A decision will be announced during the course of a few days.

Knocked down by a tram-car at the junction of Wing Lok Street and Des Voeux Road West, a Chinese on Sunday suffered injuries which necessitated his removal to the Government Civil Hospital.

Surgeon Rear-Admiral J. F. Hall, C.M.G., whose voluntary retirement is announced, was in the *Barfleur* during the Boxer War of 1900, and was specially mentioned in dispatches for his services in China.

Mr. Cecil Frank Beadel, C.I.E., of Hartley Court, Reading, a partner in Becker, Gray & Co., Calcutta and Hong Kong, merchants, who died on April 4th, aged 55, left estate of the gross value of £71,206.

As a Chinese was walking along Lower Rutherford Street a pole fell from the verandah of No. 8 striking him on the head and inflicting a scalp wound. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Mr. David S. Kwan, LL.B., formerly an instructor in Ying Wa College, Hong Kong, is leaving the Colony for Shanghai to-morrow (Wednesday). Mr. Kwan, it is understood, has received a call from important personages in the North to enter the service of his country.

The Chinese girl who was knocked down on Saturday by motor car No. 642 driven by Dr. C. Y. Wang of the Hong Kong University, was not so seriously injured as at first reported. She received only some slight bruises and was able to go home after treatment.

Mr. Oscar Ascho has been visiting the print-room at the British Museum to study Chinese and Japanese pictures and get colour for the Oriental pageant-play, "Kong," which he is producing in the autumn. He will be Kong, a pirate chief.

Sir William Rees-Davies, who is now resident at Folkestone, has been appointed by the Lord Chancellor a Justice of the Peace for the County of Kent. He has been a Justice of the Peace and Deputy Lieutenant for Pembrokeshire for many years. Sir William has also been appointed Chairman at Canterbury of the Kent Agricultural Wages Committee.

Lady Addis was among those summoned to the second Court of the season and presented her daughter, Miss Margaret Addis. Lady Addis wore an azure-blue and gold brocade gown, gracefully draped and worn with a lovely blue velvet train of the same shade, trimmed with gold embroidered galon. Her daughter wore an ivory georgette frock and train, daintily embroidered in silver and satin beads, with silver bead fringe.

Inspector Donald MacDonald has taken over duties as Divisional Inspector in charge of the Eastern District vice Divisional Inspector W. F. Blackman who went Home on retirement by the *s.s. Mantua* on Saturday.

As the result of a pot of boiling water accidentally upsetting on her while at work in the kitchen, a Chinese woman living on the second floor of No. 137, Second Street, was on Sunday removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from severe scalds.

A ricksha coolie was fined \$9 by Major C. Willson yesterday morning for lying on the grass around the cenotaph. The coolie pleaded that he was very tired and the day was hot, but the Magistrate informed him that he could lie anywhere else. He had no right whatever to be on the grass.

Pleading "guilty" to the theft of a gold finger ring, some clothing and \$48 in money, a cook employed at No. 10, Seymour Road was yesterday morning sentenced by Major C. Willson to 14 days' hard labour. The stolen property was reported to have been recovered.

In view of the suspension of the service of the Kwong Tai Taxicab Company—the agents of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Taxicab Company—it is reported in the vernacular press that a group of Chinese are now organising a new taxicab company, with a fleet of 35 cars, which will arrive here in the near future.

It is expected that H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) will be present at the second promenade concert to be given at Lee Gardens next Saturday evening by the Band, Pipes and Drummers of the 1st Camerons. His Excellency was unable to attend the inaugural concert on Saturday evening last.

PROPERTY SALE.

NO. 80 DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

At Messrs. Hughes and Hough's auction rooms, Ice House Street, yesterday afternoon a leasehold property at No. 80, Des Voeux Road was sold by order of the mortgagee.

This property is held under a Crown Lease dated December 24th, 1900 for the unexpired residue of the term of 999 years.

The area is 768.50 square feet, and the annual Crown rent \$11.00.

The upset price was \$50,000, and this was advanced by bids of \$500 until the sum of \$60,500 was reached, when Mr. Pok Kai Meng became the purchaser.

Withdrawn From Sale.

At the Chinese Auction Rooms there was to have been auctioned yesterday afternoon three dwelling houses, Nos. 57, 58 and 59, Cornaught Road Central, three dwelling houses Nos. 118, 120 and 122 and a Godown in Whitfield, and eleven dwelling houses Nos. 1a, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17 and 19, Whitfield Road. The properties were to have been put up in three lots, the area of the first lot being 3,600 square feet, with annual Crown rent of \$68, and the area of the other two lots 25,375 square feet, with an annual Crown rent of \$261.50. The properties were, however, withdrawn from sale.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 6.20 p.m., stated:—

A shallow depression covers China. Other depressions lie to the N. of Naha and to the N.E. of Basco.

LOCAL FORECAST:—S.W. winds, moderate, fair.

U.S. PETTY OFFICER'S SMART CAPTURE.

OLD OFFENDER SENTENCED.

PROTESTS HIS INNOCENCE.

The charge of pick-pocketing at Happy Valley on Sunday during the baseball match, as mentioned yesterday, was gone into at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning, when before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, a Chinese youth was charged with picking the pocket of Chief Boatswain's Mate L. B. Frank, of the U.S.S. *Helena*.

The complainant said he was watching the ball game from the stand when he suddenly felt a slight tug at his right hand coat pocket in which he kept a loose \$10 bill. He immediately made a grab behind him and caught hold of the accused's right wrist. As witness turned round he saw the money in defendant's hand. Before the witness could secure the accused's other hand the latter snatched the note away with his left hand and passed it to a small boy behind him. This youngster promptly jumped to the ground from the back of the stand and disappeared into the crowd. The complainant handed the accused over to a policeman.

The defendant's story was that he was watching the game sitting on the bamboo railing at the back of the stand. The complainant told him to go away, and when he refused the complainant punched him on the left eye. He (accused) immediately jumped to the ground, and the crowd of Chinese in the vicinity began to yell "stone him!" Just then a constable came up and arrested him.

His Worship, convicted the accused and the police put in records of previous convictions.

His Worship: You are an old friend of the Court. You were caught stealing before.

Accused: No, never. I just came from the country.

His Worship: Four years ago you did 12 weeks in jail, and three years ago you were beaten for stealing.

Accused: This surprises me!

In order to satisfy the accused His Worship sent for further particulars of the previous convictions. When these were read out to the accused he continued his denial.

His Worship: The name is the same; the age is the same, and the place of birth (Tungkun) is the same, and you still persist in your lie!—Three months' hard labour.

CELEBRATING ST. PETER'S DAY.

DAY.

LAUNCH PICNIC.

SPECIAL CHURCH SERVICES.

Reference was made yesterday to the celebration proposed by St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club in connection with St. Peter's Day, which is to-morrow.

We have been asked to state that the launch picnic is taking place at Repulse Bay, and not Island Bay, as previously stated. The launch will leave Queen's Pier this evening (St. Peter's Eve) at eight o'clock, and is expected to arrive back there at 11.25 p.m.

To-morrow St. Peter's Day will be commemorated with Holy Communion at St. Peter's Church at 7.15 a.m., while there will be later in the day a Festival Evensong and Procession, beginning at 6.30 p.m. The special preacher will be the Rev. P. Freeman, M.A., of H.M.S. *Titanic*.

The Church will be decorated this evening at 5.30.

SOUTHERN FORCES NEARING TSINGTAO AND TSINAN.

THE FALL OF YENCHOW IMMINENT.

HANKOW "REDS" DENOUNCE FENG YU HSIANG.

ANTI-JAPANESE MOVEMENTS IN SHANGHAI.

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT INAUGURATE CHINA CONFERENCE.

STATEMENT BY PREMIER TANAKA.

Southern forces are reported to be surrounding Yenchow, a strategic point on the Tsingtao-Tsinan Railway, south of Tsinan, Shantung's capital. With the fall of Yenchow the capital city will be the next objective of the Southerners.

Hankow "Reds," evidently incensed by what they regard as treachery on the part of Feng Yu Hsiang, are lampooning him throughout Wuhan.

Anti-Japanese movements are reported as being in full swing at Shanghai Native City, and the students, labourers and other classes have formed what is termed an "Anti-Japanese Alliance."

Baron Tanaka, Premier of Japan, at the inaugural meeting in Tokyo yesterday of the China Conference, reiterated that the object of the conference was merely to receive reports from Japanese Diplomatic and Consular officials in China and to discuss the best methods of meeting the situation as it arises. The Premier emphasised that there was no intention of Japan formulating a new China policy.

THE FIGHTING IN SHANTUNG.

(Wah Tsai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, June 27th. The Southerners are surrounding Yenchow, a strategic point on the Tsingtao-Tsinan Railway to the south of Tsinan. Another Southern force is advancing towards Tsingtao and Kachow. The Tsinan situation is very critical in view of the impending fall of Yenchow.

The Military Council of the Nanking Government, on which Feng Yu Hsiang and Yen Shih Shan are also members, has been formally inaugurated.

Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang has appointed Mr. Li Ming Chung his personal representative at Nanking. In view of Feng Yu Hsiang's attitude towards Nanking, the "Red" leaders in Hankow are conducting an anti-Feng Yu Hsiang movement, and "anti-Feng Yu Hsiang posters" are appearing everywhere in Wuhan.

On the 24th inst. a large consignment of ammunition and heavy guns was loaded on board a Chinese steamer at Tientsin for Tsinan, to supply Chang Tsung Chang.

Anti-Japanese movements in Shanghai are in full swing, meetings being frequently called by students, labourers and others. An unanimous decision has been taken that an "Anti-Japanese Alliance" be formed for the regulation of which a convenant containing fifteen articles has been drafted and passed.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

FOOCHOW FAIRLY QUIET.

STRIKE SETTLED BUT ANTI-JAPANESE DEMONSTRATION.

FOOCHOW, June 28th.

The emissary from Nanking has at last effected a settlement of the strike of shopkeepers and boat crews, and indications are that a new Administration, representing the Nanking Government, will take over the city. It is likely to be installed on July 1st.

A big anti-Japanese demonstration took place yesterday but a very strong guard of Marines was placed on the foreign quarter, and the procession was not allowed to cross the river.

General Tang Song Chi At Changsha.

CHANGSHA, June 28th. General Tang Song Chi, the Wuhan generalissimo, arrived at Changsha from Hankow last night.

Yangtze Quiet.

SHANGHAI, June 28th. The situation at Shanghai and along the Yangtze Valley is generally quiet.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

H.M.S. "Argus."

SHANGHAI, June 27th. H.M. plane-carrier Argus will leave for Weihaiwei to-morrow.

FAMOUS U.S. EXPLORER.

SETS OUT ON ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, June 27th.

Twelve scientists accompanied Donald Macmillan, the famous Arctic explorer, when he sailed from Wiscasset, Maine, on the 25th inst., on his eleventh expedition northwards.

He will spend fifteen months in the interior of Labrador and Greenland, specially to study the ruins of the coast of Labrador, which, according to Eskimo legend, were built by a curious race which reached the shores in open boats without decks or sails.

The expedition will also exhaustively investigate the meteorological conditions, which are likely greatly assist Transatlantic aviation.

MANILA'S STEVEDORE STRIKE SETTLED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MANILA, June 27th.

The stevedore strike has been settled and the men have returned work.

THOSE HOLIDAYS!

"HANKOW HERALD'S" SARCASTIC COMMENTS.

WORKERS' GOOD TIMES AT EMPLOYERS' EXPENSE.

Holidays in Hankow follow rapidly upon each other's heels. There are holidays to denounce traitors to the Revolution; holidays to welcome returning soldiers from the front; holidays to welcome their commanders; holidays to commemorate the iniquities of the militarists and the imperialists. A peculiar point about these holidays is, who celebrates them—the labourers or the capitalists, asks the *Hankow Herald*.

To outward appearance it would seem that the labourers, by holding mass meetings, and quitting their work on these occasions, are displaying the patriotism which is required. But on every such occasion up to the present, odd, as it may seem, the patriotic exhibitions have been on the part of the merchant—the capitalist—rather than on the part of the worker.

Regardless of the fact that the holidays to which the labourer is entitled are clearly set forth in agreements between employers and employees, the worker are ordered to quit on days given over to these various celebrations, and employers are notified that "the pay of the workers shall be paid as usual." Otherwise the union will order a strike.

From this, it appears that the celebrant of the holiday is not the worker, but the employer. At his expense do the workers attend their mass meetings of welcome, denunciation and commemoration. It would be considerably more to the point were some of these celebrations held on Sunday, when they would be on the workers' own time, or were the Unions to abide by the agreements which they have signed with the employers, and allow deduction in wages for these "holidays." This procedure would be in keeping with the intent and spirit of the Unions' contractual obligations, and in addition prove that the workers are willing and desirous of attending these gatherings regardless of the loss of a day's wage—that they appreciate the portent of the day's celebration—instead of merely cheering the arrival of a holiday to which they are entitled by agreement, at the employer's expense.

CALIFORNIAN OIL BLAZE.

WELLS BURNED AND EQUIPMENT DAMAGED.

MILLION DOLLARS DAMAGE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

Long Beach, Cal., June 27th.

Five oil-wells were burned and the equipment of many others damaged in a fire at Alamitos Heights oil-field.

The damage is estimated at \$1,000,000.

HOLLAND'S QUEEN.

SPEECH TO HER FAR OFF DOMINIONS.

CLEARLY HEARD IN BATAVIA.

BATAVIA, June 4th.

This week saw an epoch in Dutch and Dutch-Colonial history for on Wednesday and Thursday morning H.M. Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands and Princess Juliana spoke to Dutch West and East India respectively.

The speeches which were sent out from Philips factory Bindhoven, Holland on Wednesday morning (it was then late in the evening in Holland) were intended for the Dutch West Indies but they were also picked up and distinctly heard here.

For the Dutch East Indies, however, the great night was Thursday. The Radio Holland at Tandjong Priok had made special arrangements and had sent invitations to as many people as could be housed in the limited space available. At 1.05 H.M. the Queen spoke the first words to her Eastern colony, and the Dutch national anthem had proclaimed the approach of the Royal party.

In her speech Her Majesty, who was obviously moved, said that it was a happy moment that she was able to speak with her subjects overseas. H.M. mentioned the inventions of the past century whereby the Motherland and the Colonies were drawn closer together and now on this momentous occasion H.M. was able to speak personally to the inhabitants of Her Colonies. H.M. stated that she was proud to think that this feat had been accomplished by Dutch engineers with Dutch material.

The speech ended at 1.20 a.m. and had thus taken 15 minutes. At 1.22 a.m. Princess Juliana commenced her speech to the D.E.I. which lasted five minutes. After the orchestrated voice of H.M. was heard again. In a short speech H.M. thanked all those who had participated in the work of making communications between Holland and the D.E.I. possible.

H.M.'s thanks assumed a more concrete form afterwards when Mr. Philips was decorated with the Order of Orange Nassau.

The speeches were heard remarkably distinctly and only on one or two occasions "fading" interfered with the transmission. It is rather curious to note that at Sourabaya the whole experiment was a failure hardly a single word being understood.—*Singapore Free Press*.

HANDLESS GIRLS WHO SEW.

SKILL OF LONDON CRIPPLES.

London may well be proud of the employment record of her crippled children. They are all found jobs before they leave the L.C.C. schools, and they keep them.

Unemployment is found to be less among these young people than among any other class. One old scholar is earning £7 a week as a scene-painter, and another a week in making leather hand-bags. The latter is crippled in both legs, and came to Meeting House Lane School, Peckham, on crutches. There he learned leather-work, and began his present job at a wage of 10s. a week.

The girls are equally successful. There is a girl at this school who has no hands, but who sews and embroiders well and draws her own designs. Another girl who does beautiful embroidery has only one hand. This girl is a patrol-leader in the Girl Guides, and teaches others how to make their knots.

The teacher does not try to show the girls how they can overcome their individual handicaps. They manage it, each in her own way, and there is no kind of needlework they cannot do. In order to learn plain sewing the girls draw dolls. In the art class they draw their own designs. When they leave school at 16 places are found for them as improvers in West End dressmaking firms at a wage of 10s. or 15s. per week. The L.C.C. After-Care Committee watches over their careers until they are 18.

Two boys who obtained scholarships at the London School of Commerce are doing well in jobs. The boys play football, even with iron on their legs.

COMDR. BYRD'S FLIGHT.

RAIN STORM AGAIN CAUSES POSTPONEMENT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, June 27th.

For the second time in two days a torrential rainstorm has caused a last-minute postponement of Commander Byrd's flight to Paris, the sudden aerodrome making the take-off very risky, although the winds and weather are extremely favourable.

LECTURE IN A DUNGEON.

THE LORE OF THE TOWER OF LONDON.

STAIRWAY DUELS.

Why is the Tower of London called the Tower and not, like all similar buildings the world over, the Castle of London?

The answer to that question was one of the fascinating points of the lecture given in the Martin Tower of the Tower by Mr. Allen Walker, the London University Extension lecturer.

This lecture was the first of a series on the Tower to last all the summer, every Tuesday and Thursday at 11 a.m. After the lecture there will be a conducted visit to the places mentioned in it. The first lecture, which was more or less a trial demonstration was a great success. Parents should in future take their boys, who will be only too glad to go to a lecture with lantern slides given in a dungeon. For that is what it amounts to. The sixty or so visitors sat below the level of the ground in a circular room with old stone walls of unbelievable thickness, and behind the lecturer was a deep and narrow embrasure or doorway as romantic as you will.

Defending The Stairs.

One thing, Mr. Walker said, gripped everybody. In most of the towers the stairways narrow to little or nothing to the right as you ascend, and broadens out to the left. The steps are mere triangles. You would never, though, guess the stirring reason for this. It was so that a defender of the stairs might have a full sweep for his sword arm, while, conversely, the assailant mounting up would have to ply his rapier or other weapon a few inches from the stair-pillar, and being forced naturally to the right by the play of the defender above him, would also have hit the narrow foothold of the right edge of the stair beneath his feet.

Left-handedness must have been a precious asset for an assailant at the Tower.

The first beginnings of fortification, Mr. Walker said, were when the Britons dug themselves in on Ludgate Hill, to be followed by the Saxons on Cornhill, and the Normans on Tower Hill. The Tower, the White Tower, preceded the castles and fortifications, and that is how the whole building came to be called the Tower.

The Hole In The Gate.

From Alfred's days Mr. Walker traced the history of the Tower, but always with a modern appeal, so that he showed how the visitor entering through the Middle Gate passes unwittingly beneath three large holes or channels whence the famed lead or boiling water of medieval days might be poured, and how the visitor, which then fronts the walls of old London.

A little-known curiosity he disclosed was the portcullis of a tower which has a circular hole in it, through which a late-come could thrust his head, whereon, if it pleased, the guardians of the portcullis could pull the rest of his person through.

RIN TIN TIN'S DOMESTIC TROUBLES.

HIS MISTRESS DIVORCES HIS MASTER.

HIS £400 A WEEK EARNINGS.

New York.

Rin Tin Tin, the famous dog film actor, figured largely in a divorce suit brought by Mrs. Charlotte Anderson Duncan, a California housewife, against her husband, Mr. Leland L. Duncan.

Rin Tin Tin, who is familiar to audiences in every part of the world because of his exploits in hundreds of thrilling film scenes, is the property of Mr. Duncan, and his salary is \$400 a week.

Mrs. Duncan testified that her husband did not love her or her horses. He cared, she said, for nothing in the world but Rin Tin Tin. Out of the dog's colossal salary he contributed only \$10 a week to the family budget.

Worse than all, while loving the dog he treated her valuable horses "as though they were common stock."

The court, on hearing this story of domestic incompatibility, instantly granted the aggrieved horse-loving wife a decree of divorce.

THE NAVAL CONFERENCE.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, June 27th.

Viscount Saito, having referred the question of considering the British proposal to discuss capital ships to Tokyo, it is understood that instructions were cabled yesterday night stating that the Government were willing to do so provided that it does not interfere with the discussion on auxiliaries, which must be concluded first.

It is understood that the Japanese Naval Authorities welcome the idea of reaching a provisional understanding as to the age limits of capital ships.

COLLAR AND TIE TORTURE.

THE DIGNITY OF OLIVE STREET, CALCUTTA.

"SHORTS" FOR OFFICE WEAR.

Open-neck shirts and "shorts" for office wear is a question that is once more receiving attention in Calcutta. Opinions of business men are fairly equally divided on the desirability or otherwise of such a reformation in traditional Clive Street attire. The younger section, whose work necessitates a good deal of time being spent in the sun, fondle a wistful hope that the starched collar and three-piece suit will be abandoned during the hot weather for more comfortable attire.

A broker of many years' experience in Calcutta told a *Statesman* representative that there was no more trying profession, owing to the strain put upon physical capacity, in Calcutta than that of the busy broker during the summer months. Clive Street is like a furnace, he said, and although one is of course able to use jauns or motor cars one feels on entering an office that one's personal appearance is not such as to inspire to amiable business discussion a harassed jute man.

It is common to see in every office in Calcutta in the summer groups of perspiring brokers waiting their turn to see the fortunate people who are able to spend the whole of their office hours beneath punkas. The adoption of a more comfortable style of dress would ameliorate the distressing circumstances and increase the efficiency of those affected.

It may be that the "shorts" and open shirts that are such a feature of users of the Maidan in the early morning would not be in accord with business dignity, but it should be possible to devise a mode of dress which would eliminate the torture of the collar and tie.

To the man whose duties involve many journeys between offices freedom of movement is essential in the hot weather and it is difficult to understand why a burra sahib should take serious objection to the wearing by a broker of an eminently sensible attire most suited to the climate.

They are much more democratic in this matter in America where it is common to see men of importance walking along divested of coats, which are often carried on the arm, and with collar undone and tie hanging loosely. A fortune awaits the tailor who can design a suitable and happy medium.

The Opposite View.

An opposite view was given to the *Statesman* by a merchant who regarded askance any such interference with Clive Street tradition. The question had been discussed many times, he said. His views might be assailed as being old-fashioned, but in business there had to be a dignity of dress, and once the principle of "free and easy" in attire were established it would be difficult to check a tendency to exaggerate it.

Laxity in dress from a business standpoint steals a subtle influence which is difficult to recover. Among salesmen especially does dress count, and it is well known that the better dressed man gets the better and bigger orders. Cloth manufactured to-day for use in tropical climates ensures maximum coolness, and there can be no necessity for embarking on new effects which can only be harmful.

After all, Clive Street has a dignity of its own and the older business men look askance at any innovation calculated to lower it.

BRITISH TRADE UNIONISTS.

DEMONSTRATING AGAINST THE TRADE UNIONS BILL.

LADY CYNTHIA MOSLEY SPEAKS IN HYDE PARK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, June 27th.

A scene reminiscent of the pre-War Suffragette Campaign, was witnessed in Hyde Park yesterday evening when an eloquent woman held the attention of a vast audience. This was the ex-Viceroy's daughter, Lady Cynthia Mosley, who spoke from one of the twelve platforms from whence vigorous protests were made by Labour Trade Union leaders against the Trade Unions Bill.

The demonstration was organised by the Trade Union Defence Committee and thousands of the delegates of the T.U.C. Labour Party and Co-operative Union marched through London headed by brass bands and pipes, bearing banners and with hundreds of vans, gaily decorated with red and yellow bunting.

The demonstration reached a climax by a trumpet call when the Trade Union Covenant was read on different platforms pledging Trade Unionists and members of the working class to safeguard to the utmost their "heritage of freedom and right of association and organisation" regardless of consequences.

Subsequently, there was some skirmishing between Labour demonstrators and Anti-Socialist Union speakers, supported by British Fascists.

There were no casualties. Lady Cynthia Mosley is the daughter of the late Marquis Curzon of Kedleston.

BOXING.

"AN ELEVENTH-HOUR SENSATION."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, June 27th.

An eleventh-hour sensation in the World's Middleweight Championship—Walker versus Milligan—due to take place on the 30th inst. has occurred. While Walker was sparring yesterday evening, he received a cut on the right eyebrow, necessitating surgical attention. It is unlikely that he will box again before Thursday.

VICTORIAN ART.

SIR F. DICKSEE ON MODERN CANT.

"I think the cant and sneering about the Victorian epoch has had its day, and I think we will shortly hear very little more about it. In art and literature I think we have to take off our hats to that period," said Sir Frank Dicksee, the President of the Royal Academy, presiding at a Holman Hunt centenary gathering at King's College. He said it was the fashion to depreciate Victorian art, but when they remembered the companions in art of Hunt, who was a giant among them, let people compare those men with exponents of art to-day. He asked whether there was more variety, more strength, or more earnestness to-day.

Dr. Percy Dearmer, speaking on Hunt's work, said the best pictures in the Tate Gallery were the work of artists of the pre-Raphaelite School to which Hunt belonged, but it was a gallery where Hunt was not adequately represented. There were few things about Hunt and his pre-Raphaelite followers more striking than that reproductions of their pictures came to fill the rooms of cultivated people. Hunt was intensely English, and believed firmly in the importance of nationality in art. "His influence has been very great. Few pictures are better known than his, and the titles of some of them are household words. He invited those works of his to convey to his fellow countrymen the great ideas and lofty aspirations which presented themselves to him."

WEEK-END SPORTS
REVIEW.POPULARITY OF BATHING
PICNICS.DETRACT FROM ATTENDANCE
AT OTHER EVENTS.

[BY "LOOKER ON"]

The heat had a good deal to do with the rather poor attendance at sporting functions on Saturday, and bathing picnics also proved serious rivals. There was only a small assembly at the last Extra Race Meeting of the Jockey Club at Happy Valley, until October, and nothing like the usual crowd seen there even at symphonias. It was indeed very sticky at the Race Course, and those who preferred bathing, had the better view of it from the point of view of comfort. Dividends, however, were good and interest was sustained in the racing throughout the afternoon. The big race paid a cash sweep of \$3,194, while other sweeps were consistent, ranging from \$1,047 to \$4,500. The lowest dividend was \$2.00 for Hon. Sin, dividend was fair being \$37.99 by Chow Teze Lan (win), \$33.50 by The Regent (win), \$41.40 by Shan Mein (win), and \$30.10 by Leif (place). The meeting was quite a successful wind-up of the season.

All bathing resorts were crowded. There was a continual stream of car and bus traffic day and evening over the week-end to Repulse Bay. The North Point beach was well patronised, and tram-cars running there were full. On the Kowloon side many motorists made the trip to Castle Peak, while there were many launch parties on both Saturday and Sunday. St. Peter's Young Men's Club lunch picnic on Saturday was very successful, and they are following it up with a launch picnic this evening to Repulse Bay, not Island Bay as previously announced. The launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8 p.m. and is due to arrive back there at 11.25 p.m. Next Saturday they will have their usual weekly afternoon jaunt, and the European Y.M.C.A. party will also be out.

The Easna Club inaugurated the first of their series of weekly picnics on Sunday, and over one hundred members and friends made the launch trip to Island Bay. Among those present was Col. Hayley Bell, the popular President of the Association. These weekly Sunday afternoon functions should attract a large attendance of members and friends throughout the summer.

Another bathing picnic yesterday was held by the Hong Kong University Union at Big Wave Bay. There was a large attendance.

After the races the largest attendance on Saturday was at Sookunpo Valley, where a friendly match was played between the Scots Guards and the Chinese Athletic Association. This was the first match of a series arranged between the Athletic and the different Military units in the Colony, while the Chinese teams are playing Service teams on Sundays and during mid-week. Several hundred spectators were present, the majority being Chinese but any football match, even a friendly, attracts a crowd. The Guards were beaten but they put up a fine show on a strange ground, under unfamiliar and exceedingly trying conditions, and against a team whose style of play was totally different from their own. It took the soldiers some time to settle down to the Chinese game, but when they got used to it they did well, but the game was too far advanced then to make up the lost ground. They were beaten by three goals to nil.

There were two baseball League matches during the week-end. The one on Saturday was the most interesting, when the Recoeroi managed to win by one point after a keen struggle. At the end of the first inning, the Filipinos were leading by 7 to nil, but the Recoeroi had got on level terms by the fifth inning, and took the lead in the next. The second match on Sunday was farcical. The Japanese were expected to defeat the "Tigers" (South China Athletic Association), but actually they trounced them to the tune of 38 to 3. The attendance at the Saturday match was poor, but there was an improvement for Sunday's game.

In the Tennis League, the Chinese R.C. have now won the Division "A," and are easily leading the other two Divisions, although in the "B" section the Recoeroi are on level terms and the I.R.C. have the same number of points, but have played one more game.

The Lawn Bowls League matches were notable for the fact that all but one home club won. The exception was the case of the Craigswater C.C., who went down to Taikeo R.C. All the other clubs, won at home, and except in one instance by very comfortable margins. Kowloon Dock R.C. still remain unbeaten and are the only Club in League which has not yet had its colours lowered. They are pretty well assured of Division I. Honours, although Taikeo R.C., with one less match played, are only two points behind them. In the Second Division, Kowloon C.C. are still leading, and Kowloon

(Continued on next column.)

TENNIS LEAGUE.

KOWLOON C.C. "A" SEASON.

[BY HOLLYWOOD.]

The Kowloon Cricket Club played their sixth and last match in the "A" Division on Saturday against the Hong Kong University and won by the narrowest possible margin of one game. Of their matches, they have won four and lost two, their results against the other Club being as follows:—

Clubs.	For.	Agst.
beat U.S.R.C.	53	46
beat M.B.K.	50	40
beat University	50	49
beat Hong Kong C.C.	50	49
lost to Chinese R.C.	37	62
lost to Indian R.C.	46	53
	205	290

Their average number of games won is 49.15 only, which is explained by the heavy defeat they suffered at the hands of the Chinese Recreation Club off whom they scored only 37 games. Twice they just scraped through. Their average lost in all matches is 49.45 games.

During the season, they were represented by nine players, viz., E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, C. E. Millard, W. Hyde, C. H. Atkins, L. Jack, S. Hazel, C. W. E. Bishop, and P. M. Pinget. Of these, the first four named formed the back bone at the side, the others playing off and on, while Atkins, Pinget and Hazel each appeared once. Hazel was a valuable acquisition and would have been a tower of strength for the team, if he had remained in the Colony for the season.

Hyde and Millard partnered in all the six matches and proved to be the best pair of the side. They scored over 20 games in three matches and held the League record for the highest number of games in one match, viz., 20, which they scored against M.B.K. Honda and Akiyama (M.B.K.) share this distinction, having secured the same number of games against the U.S.R.C. The Fincher brothers partnered in four matches, but appeared in all six.

The Kowloon Cricket Club finish third in the League Table—a position which they also enjoyed last season. They lost the Shield in 1915 and previous to that held the trophy in 1909/1912 and 1914.

YESTERDAY'S MATCH.

"C" DIVISION.

South China A.A. v. N.T.C.

Played on the South China Athletic Association courts, King's Park, yesterday, the Home team winning by 17 games.

The detailed scores were as follows:—

C. N. Tsang and W. T. Leung (S.C.A.A.):

beat C. de Bruyn and A. Ramondt	6-5
lost to G. H. Heintz and P. Marks	5-6
beat H. Knottnerus and F. Lafleur	9-2

W. T. Li and L. K. Li (S.C.A.A.):

beat C. de Bruyn and A. Ramondt	6-5
beat G. H. Heintz and P. Marks	6-5
lost to H. Knottnerus and F. Lafleur	5-6

C. Y. Tso and S. K. Ng (S.C.A.A.):

lost to C. de Bruyn and A. Ramondt	4-7
beat G. H. Heintz and P. Marks	9-2
beat H. Knottnerus and F. Lafleur	9-3

Total: S.C.A.A., 59; N.T.C., 41.

Bowling Green Club, with one less match played are two points behind, and East Point R.C., third also with two points less and the same number of matches played as the leader.

The Army turned out a very representative side against the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club and ran away with the singles in the morning. They were not so good at fourballs, but on the day's play won on combined totals, although the Club secured fourballs honours. A return match would be interesting.

The European Y.M.C.A. have added a new Tennis Club to their sporting side, and the Courts at King's Park were declared open on Saturday afternoon, and an interesting series of friendly matches played. A report appeared on our sports page yesterday.

Good weather is generally being experienced at Home for County Cricket, Championship matches. This is evident from the excellent batting performances called by Reuter, and although there were only two days available for play in the last series of matches called, rain spoiling the third day's play there were no fewer than eleven centuries.

I referred in my notes on Saturday to the Victoria Recreation Club's opening night fate to be held next Saturday, and comment was made on the capital programme which has been arranged, and which has previously been published. Entries close for this event to-day.

HOW THE DERBY WAS WON.

CALL BOY'S VICTORY IN TWO HORSE RACE.

HUGE WINNINGS BY THE FORTUNATE
OWNER.

Hotspur, the famous racing correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph, gives the following account of the race:—

THE FALLEN IDOLS.

FAVOURITE'S DECISIVE WIN.

Their Majesties the King and Queen, the Prince of Wales, Prince Henry, Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, the Duke of Connaught, and Prince Arthur of Connaught witnessed the great race from the Royal box of the great new grand stand. They beheld an amazing setting for the Derby of 1927. Everything was record-breaking. The crowd must surely have been biggest on record. There is no question that far more motors were there than ever before. Call Boy achieved his triumph in record time. And unless I am misinformed, Mr. Frank Curzon has had the great good fortune to win a record sum for any owner of a Derby winner in history. In addition to the splendid value of the stakes—rather more than £12,000—he is understood to have substantially backed his hero, but the big winnings come from the Royal Calcutta, Turf Club's and the Stock Exchange sweepstakes. He had such supreme confidence in his colt that he purchased considerable holdings—it is said, a half in each case—from the fortunate holders of the lucky tickets. I may not be over-stating the sum won by Mr. Curzon if I put it at £200,000. That the public won handsomely, too, goes without saying. Call Boy has always been a favourite for the race. He held his favouritism to the end yesterday, though closely pressed in the market by his rival in the race. The bookmakers know that the public are rejoicing at this moment.

It was the first fine Derby day for four years. That is to say there was no rain. On the other hand, fog, which was the last thing expected, paid an astonishing visitation, and, indeed, was so thick in the early part of the morning as to shroud off anything beyond a furlong or two. The clearance came with the coming of the enormous army of folk in all manner of motor-conveyances. When racing had started all was well. The Derby starting-post was in sight, and there was no rain. But the course! It was very hard, and at once disposed of those horses that could not act on it.

The Admired Favourite.

What shall be said of the horses as a whole? They did not come in for unsolicited admiration, and certainly no one could pick out one and say, as was said of the great ones of old: "Here is a horse!" Call Boy was admired most of all, and I do not say this because he has won. He is only of medium height, but he is so wonderfully well made in every part of him, back, quarters, and limbs, and one could not fail to be struck by the note of determination about him. He was sweating a little, but then the half-hour before the Derby is a trial of the highest kind for the most phlegmatic of temperaments among our highly-strung thoroughbreds. Certainly there was no suggestion of "faking" about him. He looked, too, as if he had thrived on his strong preparation, and with it he had developed muscle in the right places. He was ever so much better than on that day he lost the Two Thousand Guineas by a short head. And how on earth did he manage to lose? However, that is a question which can wait for some sort of answer. One does not occur to me at the moment.

Hot Night was sweating about his middle, and there was a certain anxious expression about him. Yet he was walking round behind a stable companion in quite gentlemanly fashion. He was showing himself worthy of his breeding. Sickle was another that did not altogether please. He showed himself to be a well-trained horse, but he seemed upset and ill at ease. Obviously he was not on the right terms with himself, and from that moment my faith in him weakened. It was not a good sign. As they appeared on the racecourse in the parade the big and blinkered Treat showed the way, followed by the 1,000 to 1 chance Parker. Here was a case of the bookmakers outrageously pinching the odds. Anyhow, this horse was in front of Call Boy at this stage of the proceedings.

I noticed Knight of the Grail, leggy and lathering a lot (he ran quite fairly in the race, far better in fact, than some shorter-priced ones); Shian Mor, one of the best looking of the lot except for his rather heavy shoulders, which seemed so ill-adapted to the charge down Tattenham Corner; Sickle on the prance; Adieu and Chichester, Cross outclassed; Birthright, now sadly fallen from grace since a year ago, when as a two-year-old he won the Woodcock Stakes; Jack's Son, in company far too exalted for his status; Lone Knight, who became upset as the crowd all along the rails insisted on cheering Donoghue; Adam's Apple, still lighter than I expected to find him

about those places which should indicate nothing but strength from which stamina and galloping powers come; Applecross, who on looks should be better than he is; and last of all, forlorn and the object of contemptuous derision, the only filly among the lot—Stamper.

"They Are Off."

And so to the post they went. Nothing moved better than Call Boy and Sickle. In this center they stood right out. Shian Mor scratched his way there, so badly does he move in his slow paces, and especially on this hard ground. Hossan, with rather high knees, went as if he liked it and with some exuberance. Lone Knight went past the Grand Stand in a series of leaps and bounds. He seemed like one that had been thoroughly upset, and Donoghue was not looking at all happy. Rather had he a worried look. Adam's Apple is a delightful mover, and his crowds of admirers could never have believed at that moment he was going to cut such an inglorious figure. Birthright's jockey appeared unwilling or afraid to let his horse go out of a slow amble.

Only one burst through the tapes occurred, brought about by Knight of the Grail. And then the starter effected what I thought was a good start. If it looked ragged a moment or two later it was because Stamper, Parker & Co. had to play their parts, being incapable of any other. They were, of course, "tailed" at once. But one noted at a glance that the Big Four were well away, and, in fact, there could be no excuse for any of the fancied ones. Donoghue was smartly away, too, on Lone Knight, and he kept this position for a time, but I am anticipating the proper detail of my narrative. Most conspicuous of all was Call Boy. He was away, as his friends hoped he would leave the barrier—in the front line. Sickle there could be no complaints about. I should say he was about fourth or so as they got balanced and into their top speeds. Hot Night was in attendance, and Adam's Apple was of this little forward group. It was unnecessary to look elsewhere. The big fancies had all been located, and, as a matter of fact, no others ever came into the picture.

Shian Mor one could make out in close company with Call Boy, because of Major Courtland's light colours. It was Call Boy who thus early asserted his superiority. The question remaining was as to whether he would be able to stick it out. The probability was that we were going to see another Derby won in the modern style—that is, of a horse being able to pass into the lead far from home and stay there to the end. This is precisely what happened. At the ten-furlong post Call Boy was showing the way, with Shian Mor still pressing him, or, perhaps, I should say, racing next to him. Hot Night was cracking him, too, and going with the smoothness and ease of the perfect racing machine. Soon they passed into the haze, though the moving figures could be made out crossing the brow of the Down, but partially hidden by the mass of motor vehicles.

Then came the turn towards the hill, and Call Boy was still showing the way and leaving behind him a trail of beaten horses and wasted hopes. Sickle was sticking it, but was being pressed to keep any sort of a place. One realised then that his chances had gone. He surely would not win. It was because Shian Mor could not act on the downhill that he lost his place, leaving Call Boy to lead into the straight.

Call Boy and Hot Night.

Then did we see the Derby become only a two-horse race. Shian Mor, as I have said, had dropped back. There was only one danger, and that Hot Night. Wragg urged on his colt, and, responding with that turn of speed which he knew him to possess, he came smoothly up to the leader. They were then a furlong and a half from the finish, perhaps a little bit less. For half a dozen strides the issue hung in the balance. Hot Night seemed to be gaining the mastery, and Elliott drew his whip and used it. Instantly Call Boy sprang to this urgent call, and, racing on with the utmost courage, he began to draw away from the challenger. And the further they went now the more pronounced was the victory. It was convincing and thrilling. The way of the best horse in the race. In that way, to the accompaniment of cheers for horse and jockey, he claimed the victory.

This is what Elliott said to me some moments later: "I went to the front after the first hundred yards, the nearest horse to me then being Shian Mor. When I came down the hill at Tattenham Corner Call Boy was not turning as I wanted him to. I expect he was hanging away from the crowds on the rails. I hit him then, which caused him to straighten up, and only at the distance did I have any more anxiety. It was when Hot Night came up to me and for a stride or two looked like getting

the better of me. I hit my colt four times. Each time he pulled out more, and not only did he settle Hot Night as you saw, but he gave me the "feel" that he could have pulled out more, and would certainly have run on had there been further to go. It was the only time I had any anxiety. At every other part of the race I felt I was on the winner.

How far it was a two-horse race is indicated by the interval between second and third. It will be seen that Shian Mor ran on when meeting the level ground again. His running was better than had been hoped for. There came next the 100 to 1 chance Buckfast, and then Sickle, a very tired colt, and apparently beaten to the world. The Two Thousand Guineas form as between Call Boy and Hot Night worked out with some accuracy, but what of Sickle and Adam's Apple? They were turned topsy-turvy, so to say. Adam's Apple, indeed, ran a dismally bad race, bearing in mind the big hopes entertained of one that had won the classic race at Newmarket. His jockey, Jack Leach, said the colt was, so to say, in extremis at the seven furlong post. The whip was of no avail. One after another horses went past him. The Two Thousand Guineas winner came in as far back as eighth place. Lone Knight did almost as badly, but this could not have been true, for he should at least have been somewhere in the vicinity of Shian Mor on their Chester Vase running.

Congratulations in Royal Box.

Mr. Curzon has not been in good health for some time past. This was to be a great physical strain for him. His hour of triumph imposed on him probably more than defeat would have done. Assisted by two or three friends, very pale and agitated, he came to the gate of the unsaddling enclosure. Sheer determination and will-power made him do this in order that he might follow the time-honoured custom of leading in the winner of the Derby. He grasped the white leading-rein a few yards outside the gate. Call Boy stopped and was disinclined to enter. Just for a few moments one felt that Mr. Curzon would have to relax his grasp, but he held on, and, still assisted, he walked with his hero into the unsaddling enclosure—the third son of Hurry 'On, by the way, to enter after winning the Derby.

In the weighing-room Mr. Curzon nearly collapsed, but good friends were with him, and a stimulant and a little rest did something to restore him. At least he felt well enough to enter the lift to the Royal box, there to receive the gracious congratulations of the King and Queen. It was a fitting incident where Mr. Curzon was concerned to round off the greatest day in his life. May I add that he has an owner far more than, say, fifteen years, he has been active on the Turf as an owner for more than, say, fifteen years. The late W. T. Robinson, of Foxhill, used to train for him, and it was this training little more that dienne, the speedy little mare that became in time the dam of Call Boy. Mr. Curzon took up residence at Newmarket permanently some years ago, and has had quite his share of success since engaging Jack Watts as his private trainer. To Watts is due a big tribute for the way he has trained Call Boy. He may not have been the easiest horse in the world to train, which is further testimony to his skill, but then he comes of the right stock to succeed. His father, Jack Watts, was a great jockey in his day, and will ever be remembered because of his association with King Edward's first Derby winner, Persimmon.

THE ROYAL BANQUET.

The King gave his usual Derby-night dinner at Buckingham Palace when he entertained members of the Jockey Club. The diners numbered just under fifty, and included the Prince of Wales, Prince Henry, the Duke of Connaught, Prince Arthur, and Viscount Lascelles.

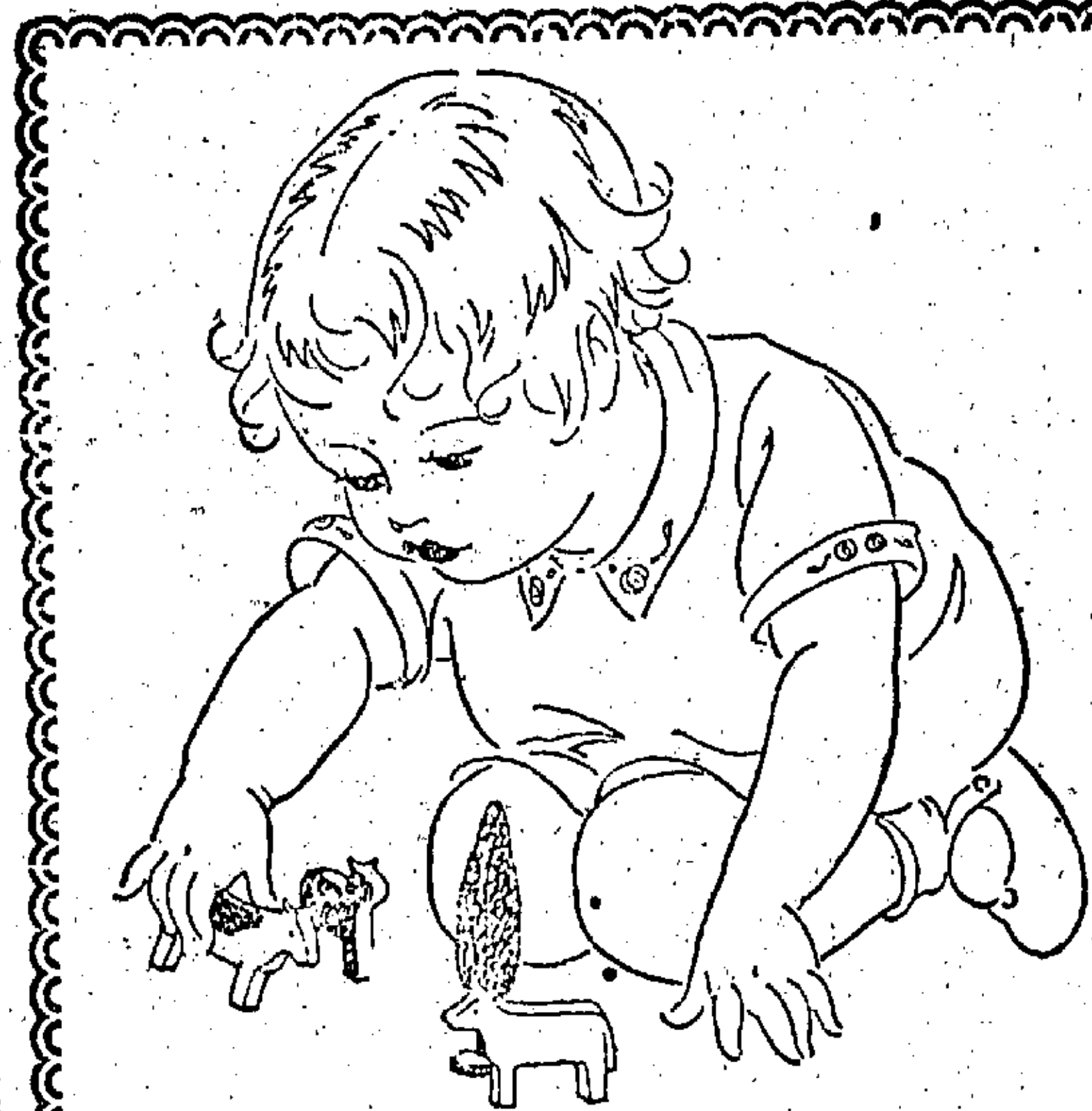
The Queen and other ladies of the Royal family dined with the Countess of Derby, and a number of guests at Derby House, Stratford-place, Oxford-street.

SCENE ON THE DOWNS.

AN IMMENSE CROWD.

PREDOMINANCE OF WOMEN.

The Downs, doubtless, could contain not many more people than the half-million people who are reputed to have swarmed on them, but even the new £100,000 grand stand, with its 70,000 of white, concrete and Cambridge-blue girders, was incapable of accommodating half the people who wanted to use it. A vivid red temporary grand stand half-a-mile in length was formed by 200 privately-hired L.G.O.C. omnibuses, drawn up wheel to wheel in a line so straight that one began to look for the sergeant-major who had so admirably "dressed" them. The crowd on the rails on both sides of the course between Tattenham Corner and far beyond the winning-post was an immovable phalanx, twenty deep long before noon. The hill itself was so black with spectators that the tiny uncovered 8s. 6d. stands began to take on the appearance of a small hump on the crowd's back. The most remarkable point about the crowd was that it seemed to be composed almost wholly of women who had come great distances in charabancs and, as if to the manner born,



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selected their likely "bookie" and treated him, not with the reverence that men do, but rather as if they were selecting a joint at the butcher's. Weisinger, now that we have taken up betting, will soon become a lost art. No defaulter would dare to abscond from a regiment of defrauded women. They are quiet and orderly in their methods, but there is a disturbing gleam in their eyes as they place their bets which must make the most stentorian "bookie" quail. They would, one feels, exact their pound of flesh quite coolly if their pound of money were not forthcoming.

Few Side-Shows.

It may be the coming of the women, who refuse to be hoodwinked, which has led to the diminution of side-shows. There was but one coconut shy, one merry-go-round, one hoop-la, and one fortune-teller's caravan on the entire Downs. Two fat gipsy women in red scarves, yellow shawls, and magenta gowns sat on the grass and smoked their black pipes in silence after trying vainly to coerce the modern maiden to part with silver for good luck. The crowds round the tipsters were almost exclusively male, and even the tipsters have had to move with the times. One of the old-time diminutive "horsey" men was withered out of existence by the invective of an immaculate "modern," who wore top-hat, morning coat, pepper and salt trousers, and complained of colleagues who could not speak "the King's English." But even he failed to divert the women. They knew what they meant to back without advice. They sought a warm but quiet patch of grass on the hillside, sat round in circles as if about to play "hunt the slipper," produced the attaché cases that usually accompany them to the office, and settled down to a good square meal before the business of the day. When they had finished, and not until then, they signalled to the gapping gipsies to let their children finish the salmon mayonnaise. After a short siesta they then rose to their feet to see the sights.

The Royal Carriages.

There was a stampede across the valley to the grand stand to see the seven Royal carriages arrive with the King, the Queen, the Prince of Wales, Prince Henry, Princess Mary, and Prince and Princess Arthur. Of Connaught; another stampede to see Captain Lindbergh, who grived in the Earl of Lonsdale's famous canary yellow car, and yet a third to welcome the sixty-five officers of the French navy.

The roar that greeted the fact that the favourite was in front rose in volume like that of a newly burst dam, until one felt that the very skies would re-echo it. The acclamation at the actual finish was the loudest human noise I have ever heard. There was no need to tell us on the hill who had won. They'll know in Australia who are second and third before we shall," said a man running past me. When I reached my bookmaker I found all the inner layers of his besiegers were clamouring women. A few men formed the outer cordons. It was, I gathered, not a good day for bookmakers. Having guarded their winnings the charabancs were again sent in circles of the girls and produced from their attaché cases thermos flasks of tea.

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SUMMER FOOTBALL.

15 TEAMS IN S.C.A.A. LEAGUE.

The South China Athletic Association Summer Football League games which are taking place on Saturdays and Sundays on the grounds at Sookunpo and Causeway Bay, will start on July 2nd. Altogether 15 teams have entered this year, a record as far as number of teams and clubs is concerned, and it is most gratifying to the South China A.A. management to see that the popular game is getting a still stronger hold on the Chinese young men of the Colony.

Yesterday afternoon, representatives of these 15 teams met at the South China A.A. club-room in China Building to consider questions of organization and to fix the schedule.

Mr. Chan Soo, a well-known local football star, addressed the gathering. Mr. J. S. Shak, vice-chairman of the South China A.A. Football Section, presided in the absence of Mr. Kwok An Paw, the chairman. The following teams have entered the League:—Wah, Moo, A. B. and C teams; Tai Hang, A and B; Kee Ping, Lai Kiu, Hong Kong Tramway Company, Lok Kwan, Nam Tze, Moo Tze, Causeway Bay, Kit Chi, Ewo, and Chinese Catholic Young Men's Club.

CASH SWEEPS AT THE RACES.

THE WINNING TICKET ON SECOND RACE.

A CORRECTION.

In our report of the Fifth Extra Race Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club yesterday it was stated that Ticket No. 394 won the first prize of \$1,254.40 in the Cash Sweep on the second race. This was incorrect. The winning Ticket was No. 340.

COLONY'S POPULATION STILL INCREASING.

A STEADY INFLUX OF CHINESE CONTINUES.

The trouble in China is daily driving more Chinese into the Colony. The Chinese hotels and boarding houses here are full, and all available Chinese houses are taken.

During the week ended on June 19th, the arrivals of Chinese in excess of the departures were 6,603. Following are the figures:—

By Ocean Steamers.		By River boats, junks and launches.	
June	Arr. Dep.	Arr. Dep.	
13	1,929 145	3,070 3,144	
14	1,373 1,308	4,075 3,457	
15	1,549 800	3,719 3,126	
16	405 320	4,319 3,084	
17	204 1,501	3,732 3,002	
18	1,500 352	3,344 2,848	
19	1,720 124	2,807 2,900	

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MERGER DISAVOWED.A LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
RUMOUR.

Writing to *The Nautical Gazette* (New York) on the eve of his return to England, Sir Thomas Royden, chairman of the Cunard Company, gave a categorical denial of the rumours current of an important merger of British shipping interests.

"There are no negotiations," wrote Sir Thomas, "for an amalgamation of the P. & O. Company and the Cunard Line. Rumours were current on the London Stock Exchange just before I left that something of the kind was in contemplation. I see Lord Inchcape, Chairman of the P. & O. Company, frequently and no suggestion of any such operation has ever been put forward, either by him or by me."

The Cunard Company was started in 1840 as a private venture and was not incorporated as a company until 1875. In the first balance sheet of the company the subscribed capital was £1,000,000. The assets then were valued at £1,890,460—today they stand at over £22,000,000. In 1875 the total tonnage of the fleet was 82,054 tons; to-day, including the steamers of associated lines, the total tonnage is 955,963. These are among the interesting facts brought out by Sir Thomas Royden at the annual general meeting of the company at Liverpool on April 6th.

Cunard Prosperity.

Notwithstanding the general depression British shipping suffered from during 1926, the Cunard Company declared a dividend of 6 per cent. on the 4,456,180 ordinary shares of £1 issued to the public. An item of importance brought out by Sir Thomas was that the agreement made with the government in 1903, under which the *Mauritania* and *Lusitania* were built, terminates on November 10th next when the last annual instalment, namely £130,000 will be repaid to the Government under the agreement. With the knowledge acquired since that agreement was made it is unlikely that any similar agreement will be made in the future. With the conclusion of that agreement ends also the present contract for carriage of mails westbound and the Cunard Line hopes to obtain less onerous terms for the carriage of mails in the future.

The result of the year's working of the Cunard Line shows a net profit of £516,329, and increase of £183,543 over the previous year. Adding the amount carried forward from last year, namely, £169,763 to the amount of £516,329, there is a total disposable sum of £686,092. Out of this amount the sum of £100,000 is transferred to the reserve fund, increasing this fund from £1,250,000 to £1,350,000. This leaves a balance of £586,092 out of which £135,000 has been paid to the preference stockholders, leaving sufficient to pay a 6 per cent. dividend on the ordinary shares and to carry forward £451,092. This improved result is credited chiefly to the diligence and hard work of the company's employees.

PORT OF LONDON
PROGRESS.RECORD IN TONNAGE OF
VESSELS LAST YEAR.HEAVY FOREIGN COAL
IMPORTS.

The aggregate of vessels using the Port of London during the year ended March constituted a record. The tonnage of vessels which arrived and departed with cargoes and in ballast was 49,989,810, an increase of 2,389,000 tons on the previous year.

Vessels arriving or departing with cargoes totalled 39,626,529 tons, an increase of 633,352. The tonnage of vessels in ballast departing or arriving was 17,363,281, an increase of 1,566,503 tons. United Kingdom ports for the same period showed a decrease of just over 10 per cent. for vessels with cargo and in ballast, while for London there was an increase of 2.9 per cent. for vessels with cargoes and 9.8 for vessels in ballast. The shipping which used the Port of London Authority's docks during the 12 months increased by 367,992 net reg. tons (or 2.8 per cent.), as compared with 1926, and this also constituted a record. More shipping used the dry docks than in 1926.

Foreign Trade Growing.

The total tonnage of goods landed at the docks controlled by the Port of London Authority during the year amounted to 2,586,998 tons, an increase of 141,437 over the previous year. The figures were the highest since the record year of 1921, when the tonnage aggregated 2,572,903. Heavy importations of foreign coal, however, accounted for the increase. An incomplete statement of the Port of London's foreign trade during the year ended March, 1927, shows the tonnage of imports as 13,553,901, as compared with 12,900,779 tons during the previous year, an increase of 653,122.

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VESSELS EXPECTED.

<i>Adriatic</i> (Blue Funnel), due July 15th.	<i>Amazone</i> (M.M.), due July 10th.
<i>Andover</i> (Blue Funnel), due July 21st.	<i>Arctura</i> (E. & A.), due July 4th.
<i>Asiatic Prince</i> (Prince Line), due July 2nd.	<i>Atlas II.</i> (M.M.), due August 30th.
<i>Bavaria</i> (Swedish East Asiatic), due to-day.	<i>Chenonceaux</i> (M.M.), due August 2nd.
<i>D'Artagnan</i> (M.M.), due September 13th.	<i>Dravanka</i> (P. & O.), due August 4th.
<i>Eurylochus</i> (Blue Funnel), due September 11th.	<i>Hector</i> (Blue Funnel), due August 25th.
<i>Leion</i> (Blue Funnel), due July 11th.	<i>Kashgar</i> (P. & O.), due July 7th.
<i>Kashmir</i> (P. & O.), due September 20th.	<i>Klyburn</i> (P. & O.), due August 4th.
<i>Lycabettus</i> (Blue Funnel), due Sept. 2nd.	<i>Khiva</i> (P. & O.), due September 1st.
<i>Macedonia</i> (P. & O.), due October 13th.	<i>Malva</i> (P. & O.), due September 15th.
<i>Mantua</i> (P. & O.), due November 11th.	<i>Menelaus</i> (Blue Funnel), due Aug. 12th.
<i>Mongolia</i> (P. & O.), due October 27th.	<i>Morra</i> (P. & O.), due August 18th.
<i>Ningchow</i> (Blue Funnel), due Aug. 27th.	<i>Novara</i> (P. & O.), due July 6th.
<i>Nyanza</i> (P. & O.), due July 7th.	<i>Paul Lear</i> (M.M.), due July 5th.
<i>Perseus</i> (Blue Funnel), due July 7th.	<i>Philoctetes</i> (Blue Funnel), due Aug. 5th.
<i>Rawalpindi</i> (P. & O.), due July 21st.	<i>Rhechar</i> (Blue Funnel), due July 7th.
<i>St. Albans</i> (E. & A.), due to-morrow.	<i>Taklim</i> (B.I. & Apear), due July 10th.
<i>Talma</i> (B.I. & Apear), due July 1st.	<i>Tara</i> (B.I. & Apear), due July 11th.
<i>Tanda</i> (E. & A.), due August 8th.	<i>Telmachus</i> (Blue Funnel), due July 20th.
<i>Tilama</i> (B.I. & Apear), due June 30th.	<i>Voyland</i> (H.A. Linien), due to-morrow.
<i>Yatou</i> (M.M.), due July 22nd.	

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL
REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, June 27th.			
Day	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer...	29.65	29.63	29.60
Temperature...	91	82	89
Humidity...	64	87	69
Wind...	W	W	W
Direction...	2	2	2
Force...	0	0	0
Weather...	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rain...	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 26th: 91.
Lowest open-air Temperature, 27th: 82.
B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From June 28th to July 4th, 1927.

Days of Week		High Water		Low Water	
Day	Month	Time	Height	Time	Height
Tues.	28	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		8 2	7 2	1 32	2 9
Wed.	29	10 20	4 2	3 18	0 4
		10 40	7 5	2 18	0 0
Thur.	30	10 56	4 1	4 1	0 2
		11 17	7 6	2 39	0 0
Fri.	1	11 47	3 9	4 43	0 2
		1 9	5 3	3 13	0 1
Sat.	2	10 38	3 8	3 48	0 2
		10 28	7 2	6 48	0 5
Sun.	3	11 24	3 8	4 25	0 3
		11 1	6 3	5 12	0 8
Mon.	4	12 14	3 5	6 6	0 3
		11 41	6 3	7 38	1 2

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Hong Kong, 27th June, 1927. [5081]

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th June, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before the 14th July or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

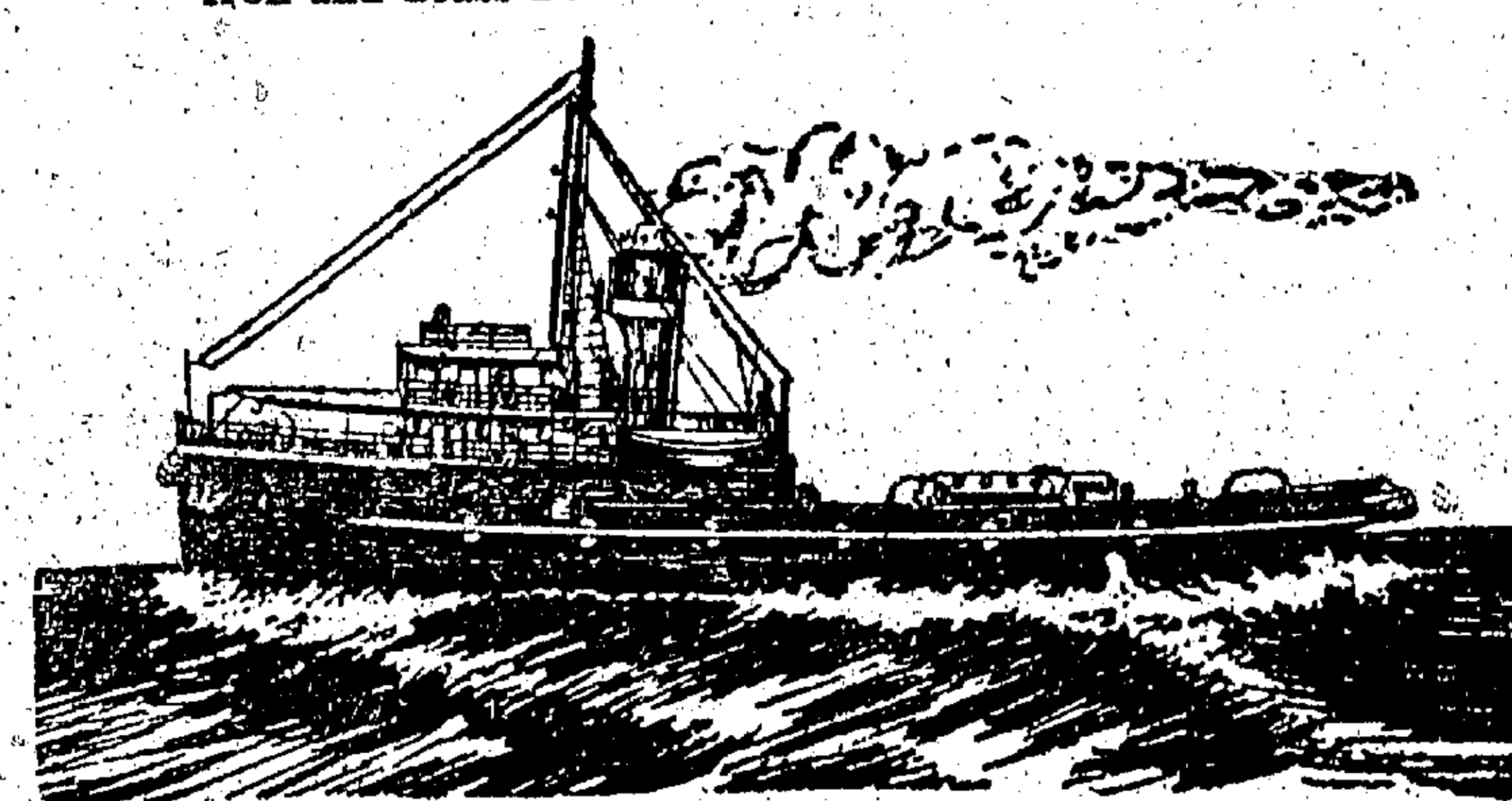
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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 1st July, Noon
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SZECHUEN"	On 2nd July, 4 p.m.
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ARRIVALS.

June 28th.

Changchow, British str., 1,203 tons, Capt. A. H. Bathurst, from Shanghai via Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Linan, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. W. J. Larier, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Minghao, Chinese str., 1,098 tons, Capt. A. Leisberg, from Bangkok and Kohichang. The latter port she left on June 20th, with 2,013 tons of rice, lying at buoy No. C19.—Kwang Nguan Seng.

President Jefferson, American str., 8,443 tons, Capt. Q. R. Nichols, from Seattle and Shanghai. The latter port she left on June 24th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—American Mail Line.

Sui Sang, British str., 1,983 tons, Capt. S. O. Mitford, from Kobe via ports. She left Kobe on June 19th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Sunkong, Chinese str., 322 tons, Capt. Lau Kwong, from Kwang Chow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C37.—Man Yick S.S. Co.

June 27th.

Empress of Asia, British str., 8,893 tons, Capt. S. D. Douglas, from Vancouver, Japan ports and Shanghai. The last mentioned port she left on June 25th, with 1,000 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—C.P.R.

Kitano Maru, Japanese str., 7,951 tons, Capt. M. Gomi, from Middlesbrough and Singapore. The former port she left on May 7th and the latter on June 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Mandago, Norwegian str., 874 tons, Capt. O. M. Johannessen, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C49.—Karsten Larsen & Co.

President McKinley, American str., 8,400 tons, Capt. A. O. Lustie, from Manila, which port she left on June 25th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—American Mail Line.

CLEARANCES.

June 27th.

Absa, for Tarakan.

Borneo, for Hoilow.

Changchow, for Canton.

Chongchong, for Tientsin.

Del Mar, for Canton.

Hainan, for Dairen.

Kitano Maru, for Shanghai.

Kwangchow, for Amoy.

Korea Maru, for Keelung.

Linan, for Shanghai.

Minghao, for Haiphong.

President Jefferson, for Manila.

Sunkong, for Canton.

Tak Hing, for Amoy.

Tjikembang, for Shanghai.

Trinia, for Tarakan.

Vestland, for Saigon.

Wingara, for Kwang Chow Wan.

Yunnan Maru, for Newchwang.

Yama, for Hoilow.

Zosma, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *Empress of Asia*, on June 27th: For Hong Kong: Mr. C. A. Aerts, Miss C. Chambers, Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, Miss M. Kotewall, Master C. Kotewall, Mr. J. Baillieu, Mr. C. Chen, Mr. K. C. Chen, Mr. N. D. Chen, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Cheng, Mr. C. L. Chen, Mrs. W. E. Clarke, Mr. T. T. Chen, Lt. W. H. Carles, Mr. and Mrs. Chan, and two infants, Miss C. Chan, Mr. Y. P. Chang, Mr. S. M. Chu, Mr. W. H. Daub, Master V. T. H. Frith, Mr. Z. L. Tong, Mr. Ho Koin Tong, Mr. A. J. Jergeson, Mr. T. M. Lai, Mrs. Lai, Mr. H. Y. Lai, Mrs. A. Lambelet, Mr. S. H. Lo, Mr. K. H. Lum, Mr. S. T. Lum, Mr. J. L. Lo, Mrs. Lo (2), Masters Lo (2), Mr. G. B. Morrison, Mr. P. R. Murray, Capt. D. McCullum, Mrs. McCullum, Mr. J. Noble, Mr. R. L. Parker, Mr. C. D. Robertson, Mr. R. Roxburgh, Mrs. Roxburgh, Mr. E. Swenson, Mr. E. Sparks, Mr. E. Ruyon, Mr. A. M. Stewart, Mrs. A. M. Hell, Miss B. Hell, Miss T. Quenan, Mr. S. W. Tam, Major H. Tatlow, Mr. T. T. Thio, Mrs. Thio, Mrs. Y. S. Tong, Mr. C. H. Wong, Mr. C. F. Wong, Mr. M. H. Wong, Mr. S. B. Hau, Mr. H. C. Wong, Mrs. Wong, Mr. Wong Tai Sang, Mr. T. S. Chang, Mr. Y. S. Wong, Mr. C. F. Wong, Mr. P. S. Wong, Mr. K. F. Yip, Mrs. Yip, Mr. N. K. Chow, Mr. B. L. Lewis, Mrs. Lewis, Mr. Minila, Mr. H. H. Clark, Mrs. Clark, Miss V. Brown, Mr. F. Cortes, Mr. T. F. Farrell, Mrs. Farrell, Mr. H. Hellis, Mrs. Hellis, Mr. A. T. Key, Mrs. D. D. Wood, Mr. C. Thwaites.

European passengers per s.s. *Kitano Maru*, from London and ports, on June 27th:—For Hong Kong: Mr. R. H. Beaven, Mr. H. K. Kristiansen, Mr. J. B. Lewis, Mr. G. F. A. Meade, Mrs. A. M. Jos R. Osorio, Master M. Osorio. Among passengers passing through on the *Kitano Maru* were: Mr. J. R. Broadley, Mrs. J. Betteson, Mr. P. T. Carey, Mrs. E. Carey, Master R. Carey, Master D. Carey, Mr. G. Festa, Mr. H. Kunz, Mrs. G. Kunz, Mr. T. M. Lang, Mr. C. H. Talbot. (Continued on next column).

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July 13	Seattle	Boregaria	Aug. 10	10 C'burg-S'hmptn Aug. 16
July 19	San Francisco	Leviathan	Aug. 20	20 P.m. C'burg Aug. 26
July 27	Seattle	Aquitania	Aug. 24	24 C'burg-S'hmptn Aug. 30
Aug. 2	San Francisco	Majestic	Sept. 3	3 C'burg-S'hmptn Sept. 9
Aug. 10	Seattle	Manitania	Sept. 8	8 P.m. C'burg Sept. 12
Aug. 18	San Francisco	Olympic	Sept. 17	17 C'burg-S'hmptn Sept. 23
Aug. 24	Seattle	Boregaria	Sept. 21	21 C'burg-S'hmptn Sept. 27
Aug. 30	San Francisco	Homeric	Oct. 1	1 C'burg-S'hmptn Oct. 7
Sept. 7	Seattle	Aquitania	Oct. 5	5 C'burg-S'hmptn Oct. 11
Sept. 13	San Francisco	Majestic	Oct. 15	15 C'burg-S'hmptn Oct. 21

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PRESIDENT GRANT ... July 19th, 8.00 a.m.
PRESIDENT LINCOLN ... July 11th, 8.00 p.m.
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Per s.s. *President McKinley*, from Manila, on June 27th. For Hong Kong: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Chas. Bartler, Master G. C. Bartler, Master F. O. Bartler, Mr. Harry Bell, Mr. Chung Yang Ying, Mr. Guin Go Guin, Mr. E. I. Lott, Mrs. E. Lott, Mr. Au Kai, Rev. M. J. Moran, Prof. and Mrs. W. E. Nelson, Mr. Wong Ngee, Sister M. Paul, Mr. Suong Tio, Dr. M. Thebault, Mr. Au Yee, Miss T. Yeung, Mrs. A. S. Zapanta. For Shanghai: Mr. Wm. Fileland, Mrs. H. I. C. Holbrook. For Kobe: Mr. W. I. Longwell. For Yokohama: Mr. G. A. Allen, Capt. and Mrs. H. E. Tuttle. For Seattle: Mrs. R. B. Blakney, Miss J. Blakney, Master R. Blakney, Mr. L. R. Boyer, Miss E. McDermott, Mr. L. Hampton, Mr. J. W. Humphrey, Most Rev. M. J. O'Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sutherland Fitch, Mr. M. P. De Olague, Mr. J. Summersett, Master R. Summersett, Miss V. Summersett, Master W. Summersett, Mr. and Mrs. J. Summersett, Miss G. Summersett.

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TSINGTAO via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "KWAISANG"	Wednesday, 29th June, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	... "YUENSANG"	Wednesday, 29th June, at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALOUTTA	... "SUISANG"	Wednesday, 29th June, at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	... "HINSANG"	Thursday, 30th June, at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, MOJI & KOBE	... "LAISANG"	Friday, 1st July, at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAO via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "HANGSANG"	Friday, 1st July, at 10 a.m.
TSINGTAO via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "FOOSHING"	Sunday, 3rd July, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI via AMOY	... "CHAKSANG"	Tuesday, 5th July, at 7 a.m.
TSINGTAO via SHANGHAI	... "YATSHING"	Wednesday, 8th July, at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALOUTTA	... "NAMSANG"	Friday, 8th July, at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAO via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "KWONGSANG"	Sunday, 10th July, at 10 a.m.
TIENTSIN	... "CHIPSING"	Monday, 11th July, at 5 p.m.
TSINGTAO via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "HOPSANG"	Wednesday, 13th July, at 10 a.m.
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EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 11
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Oct. 2
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Oct. 11	Oct. 14	Oct. 23
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Nov. 1	Nov. 4	Nov. 13
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 22	Nov. 25	Dec. 4
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AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 20th July, at 11 a.m.
MISHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 24th Aug.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

GENOA MARU ... Wednesday, 29th June
TAMBA MARU ... Monday, 11th July

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,

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BENGAL MARU ... Thursday, 21st July

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DELAGOA MARU ... Tuesday, 19th July
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

HAKODATE MARU ... Friday, 1st July

OYELON MARU ... Friday, 1st July

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

MISHIMA MARU ... Friday, 22nd July
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Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront
News, etc.YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT
RETURNS.NORMAL FREIGHTS BUT LOW
ENTRIES.

The freight returns for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday showed that both local and through cargoes were normal, although the number of vessels arriving was low.

The Colony's imports amounted to 9,641 tons. Of these, 3,800 tons were rice. General merchandise carried by British vessels amounted to 1,558 tons. The best return was shown by the s.s. *President Jefferson*, from Seattle and Shanghai, which brought 3,000 tons.Through freights were manifested on five steamers and totalled 10,132 tons, of which, 653 tons were contributed by three British vessels. The two best returns were 5,270 tons and 4,200 tons. The former were on the s.s. *Kitano Maru* from Middlesborough and Singapore, and the latter on the *President Jefferson*, from Seattle and Shanghai.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were: British, 6 arrivals and 2 departures; American, 1 arrival; Japanese, 1 arrival and 1 departure; Chinese, 2 arrivals; Norwegian, 2 departures; French, 1 departure and German 1 departure.

The following were the carriers: S.S. *Tan* (British) from Hoihow, 1,787 tons rice for Hong Kong. S.S. *Changchun* (British) from Shanghai and Swatow, 300 tons general for Hong Kong and 270 tons for other ports. S.S. *Linan* (British) from Canton, 60 tons general for other ports.S.S. *Huiching* (British) from Foochow and Swatow, 240 tons general for Hong Kong. S.S. *Sui Sang* (British) from Kobe and Amoy, 1,018 tons general for Hong Kong and 323 tons for other ports. S.S. *President Jefferson* (American), from Seattle and Shanghai, 3,000 tons general for Hong Kong, 4,200 tons for other ports.S.S. *Kitano Maru* (Japanese) from Middlesborough and Singapore, 983 tons general for Hong Kong and 5,270 tons for other ports.S.S. *Sun Kong* (Chinese) from Kwang Chow Wan, 300 tons general for Hong Kong.S.S. *Ming Hoo* (Chinese) from Kolsichang, 2,013 tons rice for Hong Kong.SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN
HONG KONG.

FOR JUNE, 1927.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th
MERIDIAN, EAST OF
GREENWICH.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
June 28th	5.41 a.m.	7.11 p.m.
" 29th	5.41	7.11
" 30th	5.41	7.11

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

THE "LEUNG KWONG"
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[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Tongting Fog Siren.

The following notice to mariners has been issued by the Marine Department of the Maritime Customs at Shanghai, under date June 20th: Notice is hereby given that a new first order fog siren has been established at the site of the former fog signal. The siren, which will be sounded during foggy or thick weather on and after July 3rd, 1927, will give three blasts of equal pitch, and each of 2 seconds duration, every 15 minutes, thus: Blast 2 seconds; Silence 3 seconds; Blast 2 seconds; Silence 3 seconds; Blast 2 seconds; Silence 78 seconds.

Chinese Immigrants.

Approximately seven hundred Chinese immigrants arrived in Manila on Monday last week, on board two steamers, the *Heng An* and the *Consuelo*. Most of the newcomers were from Amoy. The *Heng An* carried 400 Chinese, while 300 took passage on the *Consuelo*. The arrival of the 700 Chinese gave the immigration division of the bureau of customs a very busy day.

"Wing On" Back.

The *Wing On* is back to duty on the Kongsong run, having suffered no serious damage from grounding in the Laimun Channel.

"Leung Kwong" Salvage.

It is understood that salvage on the sunken *Leung Kwong* has been undertaken, with fair hopes of raising the vessel.

Resumed Running.

The *San Nam Hui*, has resumed duty on the West River run, after having been docked for the repair of a broken tail shaft.

Unclaimed Munitions.

A revolver and 300 rounds of ammunition were found in an unclaimed basket on board the *President Jefferson*, on the ship's arrival in the Colony, and at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday Mr. W. Schofield made an order for their confiscation.

Stowed Away.

Four Chinese were charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, with stowing away from Swatow to Hong Kong on board the s.s. *Huiching*. The defendants, who were discovered on board without tickets, pleaded guilty and were each fined \$12 or two weeks' hard labour in default.

Harbour Office Closed On Friday.

On Friday, July 1st, the Harbour Office will close for the holiday and the Clearance Office will be opened from 10 a.m. to noon on that day.

Casualties On The "Asia".

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia*, on arrival here yesterday reported the death of four steerage passengers during the voyage.

Chinese Deck Passengers.

The total number of Chinese deck passengers arriving in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 893.

"President" Liners.

Among the passengers who arrived here by the s.s. *President Jefferson* were Mr. A. Brostedt, the Oriental Manager of the Canadian National Railways at Hong Kong. The *Jefferson* is taking a large passenger list on to Manila, including a number of appointees to the Philippine Bureau of Education.The s.s. *President McKinley*, arriving here from Manila, brought twenty-one first class passengers for Hong Kong. Her through passengers numbered over forty, most of whom are bound for Seattle.

Casualty At Sea.

One casualty was reported by the s.s. *President Jefferson* when she came into port yesterday from Seattle and Shanghai. The cause was not stated.

Marine Court Cases.

The minor cases were disposed of by Lt. Comdr. G. F. Hole, at the Marine Court yesterday and fines ranging from \$5 to \$10 were imposed.

The master of a fishing boat was charged with using bright lights, without a shade, to attract fishes and also with having failed to renew his license. He was fined \$5 on each count.

Another fishing boat master was also fined \$5 for having no shades to the bright lights which he was using to attract fishes. For causing an obstruction in the Central Fairway, the master of a passenger junk was fined \$10, or ten days' hard labour.

"Empress Of Asia" Arrives.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* came into port yesterday morning from Vancouver via Shanghai. She will leave for Manila to-day. The liner brought about 90 first class, 50 second class, 60 third class and 287 steerage passengers for this port. She also carried over 100 passengers for Manila.

Miscellaneous.

Silk forwarded from here by the *Empress of Canada* on June 1st arrived in New York (St. John's Park) on June 23rd, having been 22 days in transit.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Nagasaki on June 26th and left yesterday at 5 p.m. She is due at Kobe to-day.The B.I. and Apear s.s. *Tilawa* left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., and is due here on the 30th inst.The E. & A. s.s. *St. Albans* will leave for Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne about 11 a.m. on Friday, July 1st.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships in port yesterday were: East Wall Basin, *Marazion*, *Cicada* and *Subs. L.15* and *L.19*; North Arm, *Curlew* and *Delhi*; West Wall Dock, *Wishart* and *Wolverine*; In Dock, *Wanderer* and *Subs. L.2* and *L.3*; Talkoo Dock, *Farghoun* and *Apus*; Kowloon Dock, *Caradoc*; Buoy 1, *Hermes*; Buoy 8, *Vindictive*; Buoy 8, *Titanic*; Buoy 9, *Ladybird*; Buoy 12, *Bluebell*; Buoy 18, *Ruthenia*; Buoy 25, *Kirkirk*; Buoy 24, H.S. *Maine*; Kowloon Anchorage, *Portol*; Foreign Men-o-War, *Patria* (Portuguese) and *Argus* (French).

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"KALYAN"	7,023	3rd Aug.	Straits and Bombay.
"NYANZA"	9,006	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KASHGAR"	16,619	20th Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,953	17th Sept.	Marseilles and London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	1st Oct.	do.
"MALWA"	10,986	15th Oct.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	29th Oct.	do.
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"NOVARA"	6,969	7th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	8th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NYANZA"	6,322	13th July	do.
"TARA"	16,619	22nd July	Shanghai, Kobe and Osaka.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	5th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,966	9th Aug.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,953	18th Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KHYBER"	9,114	2nd Sept.	do.
"MALWA"	10,986	16th Sept.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	30th Sept.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	14th Oct.	do.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	28th Oct.	do.
"MANTUA"	10,948	12th Nov.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	26th Nov.	do.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	10th Dec.	do.
"MALWA"	10,986	24th Dec.	do.
"KHYBER"	9,114	7th Jan., 1928	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	21st Jan., 1928	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	4th Feb., 1928	do.
"MANTUA"	10,948	18th Feb., 1928	do.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	25th Feb., 1928	do.
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